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(57) Abstract

The present invention relates to polypeptide-polymer conjugates having added and/or removed one or more attachment groups for coupling polymeric molecules on the surface of the polypeptide structure, a method for preparing polypeptide-polymer conjugates of the invention, the use of said conjugated for reducing the immunogenicity and allergenicity and compositions comprising said conjugate.

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POLYPEPTIDE-POLYMER CONJUGATES HAVING ADDED AND/OR REMOVED ATTACHMENT GROUPS

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to polypeptide-polymer 5 conjugates having added and/or removed one or more attachment groups for coupling polymeric molecules on the surface of the 3D structure of the polypeptide, a method for preparing polypeptide-polymer conjugates of the invention, the use of said conjugated for reducing the immunogenicity and allergenicity, and 10 compositions comprising said conjugate.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

including enzymes, in use of polypeptides, circulatory system to obtain a particular physiological effect is 15 well-known in the medical arts. Further, within the arts of laundry washing, textile industrial applications, such as bleaching, person care, contact lens cleaning, food and feed preparation enzymes are used as a functional ingredient. One of the important differences between pharmaceutical and industrial 20 application is that for the latter type of applications (i.e. industrial applications) the polypeptides (often enzymes) are not intended to enter into the circulatory system of the body.

Certain polypeptides and enzymes have an unsatisfactory stability and may under certain circumstances - dependent on the 25 way of challenge - cause an immune response, typically an IgG and/or IgE response.

It is today generally recognized that the stability of polypeptides is improved and the immune response is reduced when polypeptides, such as enzymes, are coupled to polymeric molecules.

30 It is believed that the reduced immune response is a result of the shielding of (the) epitope(s) on the surface of the polypeptide responsible for the immune response leading to antibody formation by the coupled polymeric molecules.

Techniques for conjugating polymeric molecules to polypeptides 35 are well-known in the art.

One of the first suitable commercially techniques was described back in the early 1970'ies and disclosed in e.g. US patent no. 4,179,337. Said patent concerns non-immunogenic polypeptides, such

as enzymes and peptide hormones coupled to polyethylene glycol (PEG) or polypropylene glycol (PPG). At least 15% of polypeptides' physiological activity is maintained.

GB patent no. 1,183,257 (Crook et al.) describes chemistry for 5 conjugation of enzymes to polysaccharides via a triazine ring.

Further, techniques for maintaining of the enzymatic activity of enzyme-polymer conjugates are also known in the art.

WO 93/15189 (Veronese et al.) concerns a method for maintaining the activity in polyethylene glycol-modified proteolytic enzymes 10 by linking the proteolytic enzyme to a macromolecularized inhibitor. The conjugates are intended for medical applications.

It has been found that the attachment of polymeric molecules to a polypeptide often has the effect of reducing the activity of the polypeptide by interfering with the interaction between the 15 polypeptide and its substrate. EP 183 503 (Beecham Group PLC) discloses a development of the above concept by providing conjugates comprising pharmaceutically useful proteins linked to at least one water-soluble polymer by means of a reversible linking group.

20 EP 471,125 (Kanebo) discloses skin care products comprising a parent protease (*Bacillus* protease with the trade name Esperase®) coupled to polysaccharides through a triazine ring to improve the thermal and preservation stability. The coupling technique used is also described in the above mentioned GB patent no. 1,183,257 (Crook et al.).

JP 3083908 describes a skin cosmetic material which contains a transglutaminase from guinea pig liver modified with one or more water-soluble substance such as PEG, starch, cellulose etc. The modification is performed by activating the polymeric molecules and coupling them to the enzyme. The composition is stated to be mild to the skin.

However, it is not always possible to readily couple polymeric molecules to polypeptides and enzymes. Further, there is still a need for polypeptide-polymer conjugates with an even more reduced immunogenicity and/or allergenicity.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It is the object of the present invention to provide improved

polypeptide-polymer conjugates suitable for industrial and pharmaceutical applications.

The term "improved polypeptide-polymer conjugates" means in the context of the present invention conjugates having a reduced 5 immune response in humans and animals and/or a improved stability. As will be described further below the immune response is dependent on the way of challenge.

The present inventors have found that polypeptides, such as enzymes, may be made less immunogenic and/or allergenic by adding 10 and/or removing one or more attachment groups on the surface of the parent polypeptide to be coupled to polymeric molecules.

When introducing pharmaceutical polypeptide directly into the circulatory system (i.e. bloodstream) the potential risk is an immunogenic response in the form of mainly IgG, IgA and/or IgM antibodies. In contrast hereto, industrial polypeptides, such as enzymes used as a functional ingredient in e.g. detergents, are not intended to enter the circulatory system. The potential risk in connection with industrial polypeptides is inhalation causing an allergenic response in the form of mainly IgE antibody 20 formation.

Therefore, in connection with industrial polypeptides the potential risk is respiratory allergenicity caused by inhalation, intratracheal and intranasal presentation of polypeptides.

The main potential risk of pharmaceutical polypeptides is 25 immunogenicity caused by intradermally, intravenously or subcutaneously presentation of the polypeptide.

It is to be understood that reducing the "immunogenicity" and reducing the "respiratory allergenicity" are two very different problems based on different routes of exposure and on 30 two very different immunological mechanisms:

The term "immunogenicity" used in connection with the present invention may be referred to as allergic contact dermatitis in a clinical setting and is a cell mediated delayed immune response to chemicals that contact and penetrate the skin.

35 This cell mediated reaction is also termed delayed contact hypersensitivity (type IV reaction according to Gell and Combs classification of immune mechanisms in tissue damage).

The term "allergenicity" or "respiratory allergenicity" is an

immediate anaphylactic reaction (type I antibody-mediated reaction according to Gell and Combs) following inhalation of e.g. polypeptides.

According to the present invention it is possible to provide 5 polypeptides with a reduced immune response and/or improved stability, which has a substantially retained residual activity.

The allergic and the immunogenic response are in one term, at least in the context of the present invention called the "immune response".

- 10 In the first aspect the invention relates to a polypeptidepolymer conjugate having
- a) one or more additional polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide having been modified in a manner to increase the number of attachment groups on the surface of the polypeptide in
 15 comparison to the number of attachment groups available on the corresponding parent polypeptide, and/or
- b) one or more fewer polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide having been modified in a manner to decrease the number of attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s)
 20 of the polypeptide in comparison to the number of attachment groups available on the corresponding parent polypeptide.

The term "parent polypeptide" refers to the polypeptide to be polymeric molecules. The modified by coupling to naturally-occurring (or wild-type) polypeptide may be а 25 polypeptide or may be a variant thereof prepared by any suitable means. For instance, the parent polypeptide may be a variant of a naturally-occurring polypeptide which has been modified by substitution, deletion or truncation of one or more amino acid residues or by addition or insertion of one or more amino acid 30 residues to the amino acid sequence of a naturally-occurring polypeptide.

A "suitable attachment group" means in the context of the present invention any amino acid residue group on the surface of the polypeptide capable of coupling to the polymeric molecule in 35 question.

Preferred attachment groups are amino groups of Lysine residues and the N-terminal amino group. Polymeric molecules may also be coupled to the carboxylic acid groups (-COOH) of amino

acid residues in the polypeptide chain located on the surface. Carboxylic acid attachment groups may be the carboxylic acid group of Aspartate or Glutamate and the C-terminal COOH-group.

A "functional site" means any amino acid residues and/or 5 cofactors which are known to be essential for the performance of the polypeptide, such as catalytic activity, e.g. the catalytic triad residues, Histidine, Aspartate and Serine in Serine proteases, or e.g. the heme group and the distal and proximal Histidines in a peroxidase such as the Arthromyces ramosus 10 peroxidase.

In the second aspect the invention relates to a method for preparing improved polypeptide-polymer conjugates comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying amino acid residues located on the surface of the 15 3D structure of the parent polypeptide in question,
 - b) selecting target amino acid residues on the surface of said 3D structure of said parent polypeptide to be mutated,
- c) i) substituting or inserting one or more amino acid residues selected in step b) with an amino acid residue having a
 20 suitable attachment group, and/or
 - ii) substituting or deleting one or more amino acid residues selected in step b) at or close to the functional site(s),
 - d) coupling polymeric molecules to the mutated polypeptide.

The invention also relates to the use of a conjugate of the 25 invention and the method of the invention for reducing the immunogenicity of pharmaceuticals and reducing the allergenicity of industrial products.

Finally the invention relates to compositions comprising a conjugate of the invention and further ingredients used in 30 industrial products or pharmaceuticals.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

Figure 1 shows the anti-lipase serum antibody levels after 5 weekly immunizations with i) control ii) unmodified lipase 35 variant, iii) lipase variant-SPEG. (X: log(serum dilution); Y Optical Density (490/620)).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

It is the object of the present invention to provide improved polypeptide-polymer conjugates suitable for industrial and pharmaceutical applications.

Even though polypeptides used for pharmaceutical applications 5 and industrial application can be quite different the principle of the present invention may be tailored to the specific type of parent polypeptide (i.e. enzyme, hormone peptides etc.).

The inventors of the present invention have provided improved polypeptide-polymer conjugates with a reduced immune response in comparison to conjugates prepared from the corresponding parent polypeptides.

The present inventors have found that polypeptides, such as enzymes, may be made less immunogenic and/or less allergenic by adding one or more attachment groups on the surface of the parent polypeptide. In addition thereto the inventors have found that a higher percentage of maintained residual functional activity may be obtained by removing attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s).

In the first aspect the invention relates to an improved 20 polypeptide-polymer conjugate having

- a) one or more additional polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide having been modified in a manner to increase the number of attachment groups on the surface of the polypeptide in comparison to the number of attachment groups available on the 25 corresponding parent polypeptide, and/or
- b) one or more fewer polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide having been modified in a manner to decrease the number of attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s) of the polypeptide in comparison to the number of attachment 30 groups available on the corresponding parent polypeptide.

Whether the attachment groups should be added and/or removed depends on the specific parent polypeptide.

a) Addition of Attachment groups

35 There may be a need for further attachment groups on the polypeptide if only few attachment groups are available on the surface of the parent polypeptide. The addition of one or more attachment groups by substituting or inserting one or more amino

acid residues on the surface of the parent polypeptide increases the number of polymeric molecules which may be attached in comparison to the corresponding parent polypeptide. Conjugates with an increased number of polymeric molecules attached thereto are generally seen to have a reduced immune response in comparison to the corresponding conjugates having fewer polymeric molecules coupled thereto.

Any available amino acid residues on the surface of the polypeptide, preferentially not being at or close to the 10 functional site(s), such as the active site(s) of enzymes, may in principle be subject to substitution and/or insertion to provide additional attachment groups.

As will be described further below the location of the additional coupled polymeric molecules may be of importance for 15 the reduction of the immune response and the percentage of maintained residual functional activity of the polypeptide itself.

A conjugate of the invention may typically have from 1 to 25, preferentially 1 to 10 or more additional polymeric molecules coupled to the surface of the polypeptide in comparison to the 20 number of polymeric molecules of a conjugate prepared on the basis of the corresponding parent polypeptide.

However, the optimal number of attachment group to be added depends (at least partly) on the surface area (i.e. molecular weight) of the parent polypeptide to be shielded by the coupled polymeric molecules, and further off-course also the number of already available attachment groups on the parent polypeptide.

b) Removing Attachment groups

In the case of enzymes or other polypeptides performing their 30 function by interaction with a substrate or the like, polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide might be impeded by the interaction between the polypeptide and its substrate or the like, if they are coupled at or close to the functional site(s) (i.e. active site of enzymes). This will most probably cause reduced 35 activity.

In the case of enzymes having one or more polymeric molecules coupled at or close to the active site a substantial loss of residual enzymatic activity can be expected. Therefore, according to the invention conjugates may be constructed to maintain a higher percentage of residual enzymatic activity in comparison to a corresponding conjugates prepared on the basis of the parent enzyme in question. This may be done by substituting and/or deleting attachment groups at or close to the active site, hereby increasing the substrate affinity by improving the accessibility of the substrate in the catalytic cleft.

An enzyme-polymer conjugate of the invention may typically have from 1 to 25, preferably 1 to 10 fewer polymeric molecules coupled 10 at or close to the active site in comparison to the number of polymeric molecules of a conjugate prepared on the basis of the corresponding parent polypeptide.

As will be explained below "at or close to" the functional site(s) means that no polymeric molecule(s) should be coupled 15 within 5 Å, preferably 8 Å, especially 10 Å of the functional site(s).

Removal of attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s) of the polypeptide may advantageously be combined with addition of attachment groups in other parts of the surface of the 20 polypeptide.

The total number of attachment groups may this way be unchanged, increased or decreased. However the location(s) of the total number of attachment group(s) is(are) improved assessed by the reduction of the immune response and/or percentage of maintained residual activity. Improved stability may also be obtained this way.

The number of attachment groups

Generally seen the number of attachment groups should be 30 balanced to the molecular weight and/or surface area of the polypeptide. The more heavy the polypeptide is the more polymeric molecules should be coupled to the polypeptide to obtain sufficient shielding of the epitope(s) responsible for antibody formation.

35 Therefore, if the parent polypeptide molecule is relatively light (e.g. 1 to 35 kDa) it may be advantageous to increase the total number of coupled polymeric molecules (outside the functional site(s)) to a total between 4 and 20.

If the parent polypeptide molecules is heavier, for instance 35 to 60 kDa, the number of coupled polymeric molecules (outside the functional site(s)) may advantageously be increased to 7 to 40, and so on.

The ratio between the molecular weight (Mw) of the polypeptide in question and the number of coupled polymeric molecules considered to be suitable by the inventors is listed below in Table 1.

10 Table 1

Molecular weight of parent	Number of polymeric	
polypeptide (M _w) kDa	molecules coupled to the	
	polypeptide	
1 to 35	4-20	
35 to 60	7-40	
60 to 80	10-50	
80 to 100	15-70	
more than 100	more than 20	

Reduced immune response vs. maintained residual enzymatic activity

Especially for enzymes, in comparison to many other types of polypeptides, there is a conflict between reducing the immune 15 response and maintaining a substantial residual enzymatic activity as the activity of enzymes are connected with interaction between a substrate and the active site often present as a cleft in the enzyme structure.

Without being limited to any theory it is believed that the loss of enzymatic activity of enzyme-polymer conjugates might be a consequence of impeded access of the substrate to the active site in the form of spatial hindrance of the substrate by especially bulky and/or heavy polymeric molecules to the catalytic cleft. It might also, at least partly, be caused by disadvantageous minor structural changes of the 3D structure of the enzyme due to the stress made by the coupling of the polymeric molecules.

Maintained residual activity

A polypeptide-polymer conjugates of the invention has a 30 substantially maintained functional activity.

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A "substantially" maintained functional activity is in the context of the present invention defined as an activity which is at least between 20% and 30%, preferably between 30% and 40%, more preferably between 40% and 60%, better from 60% up to 80%, even better from 80% up to about 100%, in comparison to the activity of the conjugates prepared on the basis of corresponding parent polypeptides.

In the case of polypeptide-polymer conjugates of the invention where no polymeric molecules are coupled at or close to 10 the functional site(s) the residual activity may even be up to 100% or very close thereto. If attachment group(s) of the parent polypeptide is(are) removed from the functional site the activity might even be more than 100% in comparison to modified (i.e. polymer coupled) parent polypeptide conjugate.

15 Position of coupled polymeric molecules

To obtain an optimally reduced immune response (i.e. immunogenic and allergenic response) the polymeric molecules coupled to the surface of the polypeptide in question should be located in a suitable distance from each other.

In a preferred embodiment of the invention the parent polypeptide is modified in a manner whereby the polymeric molecules are spread broadly over the surface of the polypeptide. In the case of the polypeptide in question has enzymatic activity it is preferred to have as few as possible, especially none, polymeric molecules coupled at or close to the area of the active site.

In the present context "spread broadly over the surface of the polypeptide" means that the available attachment groups are located so that the polymeric molecules shield different parts of the surface, preferable the whole or close to the whole surface area away from the functional site(s), to make sure that epitope(s) are shielded and hereby not recognized by the immune system or its antibodies.

The area of antibody-polypeptide interaction typically 35 covers an area of 500 ${\rm \AA}^2$, as described by Sheriff et al. (1987), Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 84, p. 8075-8079. 500 ${\rm \AA}^2$ corresponds to a rectangular box of 25 ${\rm \AA}$ x 20 ${\rm \AA}$ or a circular region of radius 12.6 ${\rm \AA}$. Therefore, to prevent binding of

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antibodies to the epitope(s) to the polypeptide in question it is preferred to have a maximum distance between two attachment groups around 10 Å.

Consequently, amino acid residues which are located in excess of 10 Å away from already available attachment groups are suitable target residues. If two or more attachment groups on the polypeptide are located very close to each other it will in most cases result in that only one polymeric molecule will be coupled. To ensure a minimal loss of functional activity it is preferred 10 not to couple polymeric molecules at or close to the functional site(s). Said distance depends at least partly on the bulkiness of the polymeric molecules to be coupled, as impeded access by the bulky polymeric molecules to the functional site is undesired. Therefore, the more bulky the polymeric molecules are the longer 15 should the distance from the functional site to the coupled polymeric molecules be.

To maintain a substantial functional activity of the polypeptide in question attachment groups located within 5 Å, preferred 8 Å, especially 10 Å from such functional site(s) 20 should be left uncoupled and may therefore advantageously be removed or changed by mutation. Functional residues should normally not be mutated/removed, even though they potentially can be the target for coupling polymeric molecules. In said case it may thus be advantageous to chose a coupling chemistry involving different attachment groups.

Further, to provide a polypeptide having coupled polymeric molecules at (a) known epitope(s) recognizable by the immune system or close to said epitope(s) specific mutations at such sites are also considered advantageous according to the invention.

30 If the position of the epitope(s) is(are) unknown it is

If the position of the epitope(s) is(are) unknown it is advantageous to couple several or many polymeric molecules to the polypeptide.

As also mentioned above it is preferred that said attachment groups are spread broadly over the surface.

The attachment group

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Virtually all ionized groups, such as the amino groups of Lysine residues, are located on the surface of the polypeptide

molecule (see for instance Thomas E. Creighton, (1993), "Proteins", W.H. Freeman and Company, New York).

Therefore, the number of readily accessible attachment groups (e.g. amino groups) on a modified or parent polypeptide equals 5 generally seen the number of Lysine residues in the primary structure of the polypeptide plus the N-terminus amino group.

The chemistry of coupling polymeric molecules to amino groups are quite simple and well established in the art. Therefore, it is preferred to add and/or remove Lysine residues (i.e. attachment 10 groups) to/from the parent polypeptide in question to obtain improved conjugates with reduced immunogenicity and/or allergenicity and/or improved stability and/or high percentage maintained functional activity.

Polymeric molecules may also be coupled to the carboxylic groups (-COOH) of amino acid residues on the surface of the polypeptide. Therefore, if using carboxylic groups (including the C-terminal group) as attachment groups addition and/or removal of Aspartate and Glutamate residues may also be a suitable according to the invention.

20 If using other attachment groups, such as -SH groups, they may be added and/or removed analogously.

Substitution of the amino acid residues is preferred over insertion, as the impact on the 3D structure of the polypeptide normally will be less pronounced.

25 Preferred substitutions are conservative substitutions. In the case of increasing the number of attachment groups the substitution may advantageously be performed at a location having a distance of 5 Å, preferred 8 Å, especially 10 Å from the functional site(s) (active site for enzymes).

An example of a suitable conservative substitution to obtain an additional amino attachment group is a Arginine to Lysine substitution. Examples of conservative substitutions to obtain additional carboxylic attachment groups are Aspargine to Aspartate/Glutamate or Glutamine to Aspartate/Glutamate 35 substitutions. To remove attachment groups a Lysine residue may be substituted with a Arginine and so on.

The parent polypeptide

In the context of the present invention the term "polypeptides" includes proteins, peptides and/or enzymes for pharmaceutical or industrial applications. Typically the polypeptides in question have a molecular weight in the range between about 1 to 100 kDa, 5 often 15 kDa and 100 kDa.

Pharmaceutical polypeptides

The term "pharmaceutical polypeptides" is defined as polypeptides, including peptides, such as peptide hormones, proteins and/or enzymes, being physiologically active when introduced into the circulatory system of the body of humans and/or animals.

Pharmaceutical polypeptides are potentially immunogenic as they are introduced into the circulatory system.

Examples of "pharmaceutical polypeptides" contemplated according to the invention include insulin, ACTH, glucagon, somatostatin, somatotropin, thymosin, parathyroid hormone, pigmentary hormones, somatomedin, erythropoietin, luteinizing hormone, chorionic gonadotropin, hypothalmic releasing factors, antidiuretic hormones, thyroid stimulating hormone, relaxin, 20 interferon, thrombopoietin (TPO) and prolactin.

Industrial polypeptides

Polypeptides used for industrial applications often have an enzymatic activity. Industrial polypeptides (e.g. enzymes) are (in 25 contrast to pharmaceutical polypeptides) not intended to be introduced into the circulatory system of the body.

It is not very like that industrial polypeptides, such as enzymes used as ingredients in industrial compositions and/or products, such as detergents and personal care products, including 30 cosmetics, come into direct contact with the circulatory system of the body of humans or animals, as such enzymes (or products comprising such enzymes) are not injected (or the like) into the bloodstream.

Therefore, in the case of the industrial polypeptide the 35 potential risk is respiratory allergy (i.e. IgE response) as a consequence of inhalation to polypeptides through the respiratory passage.

In the context of the present invention "industrial polypep-

tides" are defined as polypeptides, including peptides, proteins and/or enzymes, which are not intended to be introduced into the circulatory system of the body of humans and/or animals.

Examples of such polypeptides are polypeptides, especially 5 enzymes, used in products such as detergents, household article products, agrochemicals, personal care products, such as skin care products, including cosmetics and toiletries, oral and dermal pharmaceuticals, composition use for processing textiles, compositions for hard surface cleaning, and compositions used for 10 manufacturing food and feed etc.

Enzymatic activity

Pharmaceutical or industrial polypeptides exhibiting enzymatic activity will often belong to one of the following groups of enzymes including Oxidoreductases (E.C. 1, "Enzyme Nomenclature, (1992), Academic Press, Inc.), such as laccase and Superoxide dismutase (SOD); Transferases, (E.C. 2), such as transglutaminases (TGases); Hydrolases (E.C. 3), including proteases, especially subtilisins, and lipolytic enzymes; Isomerases (E.C. 5), such as 20 Protein disulfide Isomerases (PDI).

Hydrolases

Proteolytic enzymes

Contemplated proteolytic enzymes include proteases selected 25 from the group of Aspartic proteases, such pepsins, Cysteine proteases, such as Papain, Serine proteases, such as subtilisins, or metallo proteases, such as Neutrase®.

Specific examples of parent proteases include PD498 (WO 93/24623 and SEQ ID NO. 2), Savinase® (von der Osten et al., 30 (1993), Journal of Biotechnology, 28, p. 55+, SEQ ID NO 3), Proteinase K (Gunkel et al., (1989), Eur. J. Biochem, 179, p. 185-194), Proteinase R (Samal et al, (1990), Mol. Microbiol, 4, p. 1789-1792), Proteinase T (Samal et al., (1989), Gene, 85, p. 329-333), Subtilisin DY (Betzel et al. (1993), Arch. Biophys, 302, no. 35 2, p. 499-502), Lion Y (JP 04197182-A), Rennilase® (Available from Novo Nordisk A/S), JA16 (WO 92/17576), Alcalase® (a natural subtilisin Carlberg variant) (von der Osten et al., (1993), Journal of Biotechnology, 28, p. 55+).

Lipolytic enzymes

Contemplated lipolytic enzymes include Humicola lanuginosa lipases, e.g. the one described in EP 258 068 and EP 305 216 (See 5 SEQ ID NO 6 below), Humicola insolens, a Rhizomucor miehei lipase, e.g. as described in EP 238 023, Absidia sp. lipolytic enzymes (WO 96/13578), a Candida lipase, such as a C. antarctica lipase, e.g. the C. antarctica lipase A or B described in EP 214 761, a lipase such P.alcaligenes and Pseudomonas as a 10 pseudoalcaligenes lipase, e.g. as described in EP 218 272, a P. cepacia lipase, e.q. as described in EP 331 376, a Pseudomonas sp. lipase as disclosed in WO 95/14783, a Bacillus lipase, e.g. a B. subtilis lipase (Dartois et al., (1993) Biochemica et Biophysica acta 1131, 253-260), a B. stearothermophilus lipase (JP 64/744992) 15 and a B. pumilus lipase (WO 91/16422). Other types of lipolytic include cutinases, e.g. derived from Pseudomonas mendocina as described in WO 88/09367, or a cutinase derived from Fusarium solani pisi (e.g. described in WO 90/09446).

20 Oxidoreductases

Laccases

Contemplated laccases include *Polyporus pinisitus* laccase (WO 96/00290), Myceliophthora laccase (WO 95/33836), Schytalidium laccase (WO 95/338337), and *Pyricularia oryzae laccase* (Available from Sigma).

Peroxidase

Contemplated peroxidases include *B. pumilus* peroxidases (WO 91/05858), *Myxococcaceae* peroxidase (WO 95/11964), *Coprinus* 30 cinereus (WO 95/10602) and *Arthromyces ramosus* peroxidase (Kunishima et al. (1994), J. Mol. Biol. 235, p. 331-344).

Transferases

Transglutaminases

Suitable transferases include any transglutaminases disclosed in WO 96/06931 (Novo Nordisk A/S) and WO 96/22366 (Novo Nordisk A/S).

Isomerases

Protein Disulfide Isomerase

Without being limited thereto suitable protein disulfide isomerases include PDIs described in WO 95/01425 (Novo Nordisk 5 A/S).

The polymeric molecule

The polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide may be any suitable polymeric molecule, including natural and synthetic homo10 polymers, such as polyols (i.e. poly-OH), polyamines (i.e. poly-NH₂) and polycarboxyl acids (i.e. poly-COOH), and further heteropolymers i.e. polymers comprising one or more different coupling groups e.g. a hydroxyl group and amine groups.

Examples of suitable polymeric molecules include polymeric 15 molecules selected from the group comprising polyalkylene oxides (PAO), such as polyalkylene glycols (PAG), including polyethylene glycols (PEG), methoxypolyethylene glycols (mPEG) and polypropylen glycols, PEG-glycidyl ethers (Epox-PEG), PEG-oxycarbonylimidazole (CDI-PEG), Branced PEGs, poly-vinyl alcohol (PVA), 20 carboxylates, poly-(vinylpyrolidone), poly-D, L-amino polyethylene-co-maleic acid anhydride, polystyrene-co-malic acid anhydrid, dextrans including carboxymethyl-dextrans, homologous albumin, celluloses, including methylcellulose, ethylcellulose, hydroxyethylcellulose carboxymethylcellulose, 25 carboxyethylcellulose and hydroxypropylcellulose, hydrolysates of starches such as hydroxyethyl-straches and hydroxy propyl-starches, glycogen, agaroses and derivates thereof, guar qum, pullulan, inulin, xanthan qum, carrageenin, pectin, alginic acid hydrolysates and bio-polymers.

Preferred polymeric molecules are non-toxic polymeric molecules such as (m)polyethylene glycol ((m)PEG) which further requires a relatively simple chemistry for its covalently coupling to attachment groups on the enzyme's surface.

Generally seen polyalkylene oxides (PAO), such as polyethylene 35 oxides, such as PEG and especially mPEG, are the preferred polymeric molecules, as these polymeric molecules, in comparison to polysaccharides such as dextran, pullulan and the like, have few reactive groups capable of cross-linking.

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Even though all of the above mentioned polymeric molecules may be used according to the invention the methoxypolyethylene glycols (mPEG) may advantageously be used. This arise from the fact that methoxyethylene glycols have only one reactive end capable of conjugating with the enzyme. Consequently, the risk of crosslinking is less pronounced. Further, it makes the product more homogeneous and the reaction of the polymeric molecules with the enzyme easier to control.

10 Preparation of enzyme variants

Enzyme variants to be conjugated may be constructed by any suitable method. A number of methods are well established in For instance enzyme variants according to the invention may be generated using the same materials and methods 15 described in e.g. WO 89/06279 (Novo Nordisk A/S), EP 130,756 479,870 (Novo Nordisk A/S), \mathbf{EP} (Genentech), \mathbf{EP} (Henkel), WO 87/04461 (Amgen), WO 87/05050 (Genex), EP application no. 87303761 (Genentech), EP 260,105 (Genencor), (Gist-Brocades NV), WO 88/07578 (Genentech), 20 88/08028 (Genex), WO 88/08033 (Amgen), WO 88/08164 (Genex), Thomas et al. (1985) Nature, 318 375-376; Thomas et al. (1987) J. Mol. Biol., 193, 803-813; Russel and Fersht (1987) Nature 328 496-500.

25 Generation of site directed mutations

Prior to mutagenesis the gene encoding the polypeptide of interest must be cloned in a suitable vector. Methods for generating mutations in specific sites is described below.

Once the polypeptide encoding gene has been cloned, and desirable sites for mutation identified and the residue to substitute for the original ones have been decided, these mutations can be introduced using synthetic oligonucleotides. These oligonucleotides contain nucleotide sequences flanking the desired mutation sites; mutant nucleotides are inserted during oligo-nucleotide synthesis. In a preferred method, Site-directed mutagenesis is carried out by SOE-PCR mutagenesis technique described by Kammann et al. (1989) Nucleic Acids Research 17(13), 5404, and by Sarkar G. and Sommer, S.S. (1990); Biotechniques 8,

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Activation of polymers

If the polymeric molecules to be conjugated with the polypeptide in question are not active it must be activated by the use of a suitable technique. It is also contemplated according to the invention to couple the polymeric molecules to the polypeptide through a linker. Suitable linkers are well-known to the skilled person.

Methods and chemistry for activation of polymeric molecules 10 as well as for conjugation of polypeptides are intensively described in the literature. Commonly used methods for activation of insoluble polymers include activation of functional groups with glutaraldehyde, biepoxides, bromide, periodate, cyanogen 15 epichlorohydrin, divinylsulfone, carbodiimide, sulfonyl halides, trichlorotriazine etc. (see R.F. Taylor, (1991), immobilisation. Fundamental and applications", Marcel Dekker, N.Y.; S.S. Wong, (1992), "Chemistry of Protein Conjugation and Crosslinking", CRC Press, Boca Raton; G.T. Hermanson et al., 20 (1993), "Immobilized Affinity Ligand Techniques", Academic Press, N.Y.). Some of the methods concern activation of insoluble polymers but are also applicable to activation of soluble polymers trichlorotriazine, sulfonylhalides, periodate, divinylsulfone, carbodiimide etc. The functional groups being 25 amino, hydroxyl, thiol, carboxyl, aldehyde or sulfydryl on the polymer and the chosen attachment group on the protein must be considered in choosing the activation and conjugation chemistry which normally consist of i) activation of conjugation, and iii) blocking of residual active groups.

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Furthermore, a special linker can be introduced. The oldest being cyanuric chloride (Abuchowski et al., (1977), J. Biol. Chem., 252, 3578-3581; US patent no. 4,179,337, (1979), Davis et al.; Shafer et al., (1986), J. Polym. Sci. Polym. Chem. Ed., 24, 25 375-378.

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As some peptides do not comprise many Lysines it may be advantageous to attach more than one PEG to the same Lysine. This can be done e.g. by the use of 1,3-diamino-2-propanol.

PEGs may also be attached to the amino-groups of the enzyme 35 with carbamate linkages (WO 95/11924, Greenwald et al.). Lysine residues may also be used as the backbone.

The coupling technique used in the examples is the N-succinimidyl carbonate conjugation technique descried in WO

90/13590 (Enzon).

Method for preparing improved conjugates

It is also an object of the invention to provide a method for 5 preparing improved polypeptide-polymer conjugates comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying amino acid residues located on the surface of the 3D structure of the parent polypeptide in question,
- b) selecting target amino acid residues on the surface of said 3D10 structure of said parent polypeptide to be mutated,
 - c)i) substituting or inserting one or more amino acid residues selected in step b) with an amino acid residue having a suitable attachment group, and/or
- ii) substituting or deleting one or more amino acid residues
 15 selected in step b) at or close to the functional site(s),
 - d) coupling polymeric molecules to the mutated polypeptide.

Step a) Identifying amino acid residues located on the surface of the parent polypeptide

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3-dimensional structure (3D-structure)

To perform the method of the invention a 3-dimensional structure of the parent polypeptide in question is required. This structure may for example be an X-ray structure, an NMR structure or a model-built structure. The Brookhaven Databank is a source of X-ray- and NMR-structures.

A model-built structure may be produced by the person skilled in the art if one or more 3D-structure(s) exist(s) of homologous polypeptide(s) sharing at least 30% sequence identity with the polypeptide in question. Several software packages exist which may be employed to construct a model structure. One example is the Homology 95.0 package from Biosym.

Typical actions required for the construction of a model
35 structure are: alignment of homologous sequences for which 3Dstructures exist, definition of Structurally Conserved Regions
(SCRs), assignment of coordinates to SCRs, search for
structural fragments/loops in structure databases to replace

Variable Regions, assignment of coordinates to these regions, and structural refinement by energy minimization. Regions containing large inserts (≥3 residues) relative to the known 3D-structures are known to be quite difficult to model, and 5 structural predictions must be considered with care.

Having obtained the 3D-structure of the polypeptide in question, or a model of the structure based on homology to known structures, this structure serves as an essential prerequisite for the fulfillment of the method described below.

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Step b) Selection of target amino acid residues for mutation

Target amino acid residues to be mutated are according to
the invention selected in order to obtain additional or fewer
attachment groups, such as free amino groups (-NH₂) or free
15 carboxylic acid groups (-COOH), on the surface of the
polypeptide and/or to obtain a more complete and broadly spread
shielding of the epitope(s) on the surface of the polypeptide.

Conservative substitution

It is preferred to make conservative substitutions in the polypeptide, as conservative substitutions secure that the impact of the mutation on the polypeptide structure is limited.

In the case of providing additional amino groups this may be done by substitution of Arginine to Lysine, both residues being 25 positively charged, but only the Lysine having a free amino group suitable as an attachment groups.

In the case of providing additional carboxylic acid groups the conservative substitution may for instance be an Aspargine to Aspartic acid or Glutamine to Glutamic acid substitution.

30 These residues resemble each other in size and shape, except from the carboxylic groups being present on the acidic residues.

In the case of providing fewer attachment groups, e.g. at or close to the active site, a Lysine may be substituted with a 35 Arginine, and so on.

Which amino acids to substitute depends in principle on the coupling chemistry to be applied.

Non-conservative substitution

The mutation may also be on target amino acid residues which are less/non-conservative. Such mutation is suitable for obtaining a more complete and broadly spread shielding of the polypeptide surface than can be obtained by the conservative substitutions.

The method of the invention is first described in general terms, and subsequently using specific examples.

Note the use of the following terms:

10 Attachment_residue: residue(s) which can bind polymeric molecules, e.g. Lysines (amino group) or Aspartic/Glutamic acids (carboxylic groups). N- or C-terminal amino/carboxylic groups are to be included where relevant.

Mutation residue: residue(s) which is to be mutated, e.g.

15 Arginine or Aspargine/Glutamine.

Essential_catalytic_residues: residues which are known to be essential for catalytic function, e.g. the catalytic triad in Serine proteases.

Solvent_exposed_residues: These are defined as residues which 20 are at least 5% exposed according to the BIOSYM/INSIGHT algorithm found in the module Homology 95.0. The sequence of commands are as follows:

Homology=>ProStat=>Access_Surf=>Solv_Radius 1.4; Heavy atoms
only; Radii source VdW; Output: Fractional Area; Polarity

25 source: Default. The file filename_area.tab is produced. Note: For this program to function properly all water molecules must first be removed from the structure.

It looks for example like:

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30 # residue area

TYR 8

TRP_1 136.275711
SER_2 88.188095
PRO_3 15.458788
ASN_4 95.322319
35 ASP_5 4.903404
PRO_6 68.096909
TYR_7 93.333252

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Identification of residues which are more than 10 Å away
 from the closest attachment_residue, and which are located at least 8 Å away from essential_catalytic_residues. This residue subset is called REST, and is the primary region for conservative mutation_residue to attachment_residue substitutions.

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- 2. Identification of residues which are located in a 0-5 Å shell around subset REST, but at least 8 Å away from essential_catalytic_residues. This residue subset is called SUB5B. This is a secondary region for conservative
- 15 mutation_residue to attachment_residue substitutions, as a ligand bound to an attachment_residue in SUB5B will extend into the REST region and potentially prevent epitope recognition.
- 3. Identification of solvent_exposed mutation_residues in REST 20 and SUB5B as potential mutation sites for introduction of attachment_residues.
 - 4. Use BIOSYM/INSIGHT's Biopolymer module and replace residues identified under action 3.

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5. Repeat 1-2 above producing the subset RESTx. This subset includes residues which are more than 10 Å away from the nearest attachment_residue, and which are located at least 8 Å away from essential catalytic residues.

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6. Identify solvent_exposed_residues in RESTx. These are potential sites for less/non-conservative mutations to introduce atttachment_residues.

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Step c) Substituting, inserting or deleting amino acid residues

The mutation(s) performed in step c) may be performed by standard techniques well known in the art, such as site-directed

mutagenesis (see, e.g., Sambrook et al. (1989), Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning. A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor, NY.

A general description of nucleotide substitution can be found in e.g. Ford et al., 1991, Protein Expression and Purification 2, 5 p. 95-107.

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Polypeptide-polymer conjugates of the invention may be
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Addition of attachment groups

Specific examples of PD498 variant-SPEG conjugates

A specific example of a protease is the parent PD498 (WO 93/24623 and SEQ ID No. 2). The parent PD498 has a molecular weight of 29 kDa.

Lysine and Arginine residues are located as follows:

Distance from the	Arginine	Lysine
active site		
0-5 Å	1	
5-10 Å		
10-15 Å	5 .	6
15-20 Å	2	3
20-25 Å	1	3
total	9	12

The inventors examined which parent PD498 sites on the surface 15 may be suitable for introducing additional attachment groups.

A. Suitable conservative Arginine to Lysine substitutions in parent PD498 may be any of R51K, R62K, R121K, R169K, R250K, R28K, R190K.

B. Suitable non-conservative substitutions in parent PD498 may be any of P6K, Y7K, S9K, A10K, Y11K, Q12K, D43K, Y44K, N45K, N65K, G87K, I88K, N209K, A211K, N216K, N217K, G218K, Y219K, S220K, Y221K, G262K.

As there is no Lysine residues at or close to the active site 25 there is no need for removing any attachment group.

PD498 variant-SPEG conjugates may be prepared using any of the above mentioned PD498 variants as the starting material by any conjugation technique known in the art for coupling polymeric molecules to amino groups on the enzyme. A specific example is 30 described below.

Removal of attachment groups

Specific examples of BPN variant-SPEG conjugates

A specific example of a protease having an attachment group in 5 the active site is BPN' which has 11 attachment groups (plus an N-terminal amino group): BPN' has a molecular weight of 28 kDa.

Lysine and Arginine residues are located as follows:

Distance from	Arginine	Lysine
the active site		
0-5 Å		1
5-10 Å		
10-15 Å	1	4
15-20 Å	1	4
20-25 Å		2
total	2	11

10 The Lysine residue located within 0-5 Å of the active site can according to the invention advantageously be removed. Specifically this may be done by a K94R substitution.

BPN' variant-SPEG conjugates may be prepared using the above mentioned BPN' variant as the starting material by any conjugation 15 technique known in the art for coupling polymeric molecules to amino groups on the enzyme.

Addition and removal of attachment groups

Specific example of Savinase®-SPEG conjugates

- 20 As described in Example 2 parent Savinase® (von der Osten et al., (1993), Journal of Biotechnology, 28, p. 55+ and SEQ ID NO.
 - 3) may according to the invention have added a number of amino attachment groups to the surface and removed an amino attachment group close to the active site.
- 25 Any of the following substitutions in the parent Savinase® are sites for mutagenesis: R10K, R19K, R45K, R145K, R170K, R186K and R247K.

The substitution K94R are identified as a mutation suitable for preventing attachment of polymers close to active site.

30 Savinase® variant-SPEG conjugates may be prepared using any of

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the above mentioned Savinase® variants as the starting material by any conjugation technique known in the art for coupling polymeric molecules to amino groups on the enzyme.

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5 Addition of attachment groups

A specific examples of Humicola lanuginosa lipase variants-SPEG conjugates

with of lipase variants reduced Specific examples immunogenicity using the parent Huminocal lanuginosa DSM 4109 10 lipase (see SEQ ID No 6) as the backbone for substitutions are listed below.

The parent unmodified Humicola lanuginosa lipase attachment groups including the N-terminal NH2 group and a molecular weight of about 29 kDa.

15 A. Suitable conservative Arginine to Lysine substitutions in the parent lipase may be any of R133K, R139K, R160K, R179K, R209K, R118K and R125K.

Suitable non-conservative substitutions in the parent lipase may be any of:

20 A18K,G31K,T32K,N33K,G38K,A40K,D48K,T50K,E56K,D57K,S58K,G59K, V60K,G61K,D62K,T64K,L78K,N88K,G91K,N92K,L93K,S105K,G106K, V120K, P136K, G225K, L227K, V228K, P229K, P250K, F262K.

Further suitable non-conservative substitution in the Humicola lanuginosa lipase include: E87K or D254K.

- Lipase variant-SPEG conjugates may be prepared using any of the 25 above mentioned lipase variants as the starting material by any conjugation technique known in the art for coupling polymeric molecules to amino groups on the enzyme. A specific example is described below.
- In Example 12 below is it shown that a conjugate of the 30 Humicola lanuginosa lipase variant with a E87K+D254K substitutions coupled to S-PEG 15,000 has reduced immunogenic response in Balb/C mice in comparison to the corresponding parent unmodified enzyme.

35 Immunogenicity and Allergenicity

"Immunogenicity" is a wider term than "antigenicity" "allergenicity", and expresses the immune system's response to the presence of foreign substances. Said foreign substances are called - WO 98/35026 PCT/DK98/00046

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immunogens, antigens and allergens depending of the type of immune response the elicit.

An "immunogen" may be defined as a substance which, when introduced into circulatory system of animals and humans, is capable of stimulating an immunologic response resulting in formation of immunoglobulin.

The term "antigen" refers to substances which by themselves are capable of generating antibodies when recognized as a non-self molecule.

10 Further, an "allergen" may be defined as an antigen which may give rise to allergic sensitization or an allergic response by IgE antibodies (in humans, and molecules with comparable effects in animals).

15 Assessment of immunogencity

Assessment of the immunogenicity may be made by injecting animal subcutaneously to enter the immunogen into the circulation system and comparing the response with the response of the corresponding parent polypeptide.

The "circulatory system" of the body of humans and animals means, in the context of the present invention, the system which mainly consists of the heart and blood vessels. The heart delivers the necessary energy for maintaining blood circulation in the vascular system. The circulation system functions as the organism's transportation system, when the blood transports O2, nutritious matter, hormones, and other substances of importance for the cell regulation into the tissue. Further the blood removes CO2 from the tissue to the lungs and residual substances to e.g. the kidneys. Furthermore, the blood is of importance for the temperature regulation and the defence mechanisms of the body, which include the immune system.

A number of *in vitro* animal models exist for assessment of the immunogenic potential of polypeptides. Some of these models give a suitable basis for hazard assessment in man. Suitable models include a mice model.

This model seek to identify the immunogenic response in the form of the IgG response in Balb/C mice being injected subcutaneously with modified and unmodified polypeptides.

Also other animal models can be used for assessment of the immunogenic potential.

A polypeptide having "reduced immunogenicity" according to the invention indicates that the amount of produced antibodies, e.g. 5 immunoglobulin in humans, and molecules with comparable effects in specific animals, which can lead to an immune response, is significantly decreased, when introduced into the circulatory system, in comparison to the corresponding parent polypeptide.

For Balb/C mice the IgG response gives a good indication of the 10 immunigenic potential of polypeptides.

Assessment of allergenicity

Assessment of allergenicity may be made by inhalation tests, comparing the effect of intratracheally (into the trachea)
15 administrated parent enzymes with the corresponding modified enzymes according to the invention.

A number of in vivo animal models exist for assessment of the allegenicity of enzymes. Some of these models give a suitable basis for hazard assessment in man. Suitable models include a 20 guinea pig model and a mouse model. These models seek to identify respiratory allergens as a function of elicitation reactions induced in previously sensitised animals. According to these models the alleged allergens are introduced intratracheally into the animals.

A suitable strain of guinea pigs, the Dunkin Hartley strain, do not as humans, produce IgE antibodies in connection with the allergic response. However, they produce another type of antibody the IgG1A and IgG1B (see e.g. Prentø, ATLA, 19, p. 8-14, 1991), which are responsible for their allergenic response to inhaled polypeptides including enzymes. Therefore, when using the Dunkin Hartley animal model, the relative amount of IgG1A and IgG1B is a measure of the allergenicity level.

The Balb/C mice strain is suitable for intratracheal exposure. Balb/C mice produce IgE as the allergic response.

35 More details on assessing respiratory allergens in guinea pigs and mice is described by Kimber et al., (1996), Fundamental and Applied Toxicology, 33, p. 1-10.

Other animals such as rats, rabbits etc. may also be used for

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comparable studies.

Composition

The invention relates to a composition comprising a 5 polypeptide-polymer conjugate of the invention.

The composition may be a pharmaceutical or industrial composition.

The composition may further comprise other polypeptides, proteins or enzymes and/or ingredients normally used in e.g. articles, bars, household 10 detergents, including soap care products, agrochemicals, personal including skin compositions, cleaning compositions for e.g. contact lenses, oral and dermal pharmaceuticals, composition use for treating textiles, compositions used for manufacturing food, e.g. baking, and feed 15 etc.

Use of the polypeptide-polymer conjugate

The invention also relates to the use of the method of the invention for reducing the immune response of polypeptides.

It is also an object of the invention to use the polypeptidepolymer conjugate of the invention to reduce the allergenicity of industrial products, such as detergents, such as laundry, disk wash and hard surface cleaning detergents, and food or feed products.

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MATERIAL AND METHODS

Materials

Enzymes:

PD498: Protease of subtilisin type shown in WO 93/24623. The 30 sequence of PD498 is shown in SEQ ID NO. 1 and 2.

Savinase® (Available from Novo Nordisk A/S)

Humicola lanuginosa lipase: Available from Novo Nordisk as lipolase® and is further described in EP 305,216. The DNA and protein sequence is shown in SEQ ID NO 5 and 6, respectively.

Strains:

B. subtilis 309 and 147 are variants of Bacillus lentus, deposited with the NCIB and accorded the accession numbers NCIB
5 10309 and 10147, and described in US Patent No. 3,723,250 incorporated by reference herein.

E. coli MC 1000 (M.J. Casadaban and S.N. Cohen (1980); J. Mol. Biol. 138 179-207), was made r⁻, m⁺ by conventional methods and is also described in US Patent Application Serial No. 10 039,298.

<u>Vectors:</u>

pPD498: E. coli - B. subtilis shuttle vector (described in US patent No. 5,621,089 under section 6.2.1.6) containing the 15 wild-type gene encoding for PD498 protease (SEQ ID NO. 2). The same vector is use for mutagenesis in E. coli as well as for expression in B. subtilis.

General molecular biology methods:

- Unless otherwise mentioned the DNA manipulations and transformations were performed using standard methods of molecular biology (Sambrook et al. (1989) Molecular cloning: A laboratory manual, Cold Spring Harbor lab., Cold Spring Harbor, NY; Ausubel, F. M. et al. (eds.) "Current protocols in
- 25 Molecular Biology". John Wiley and Sons, 1995; Harwood, C. R., and Cutting, S. M. (eds.) "Molecular Biological Methods for Bacillus". John Wiley and Sons, 1990).

Enzymes for DNA manipulations were used according to the specifications of the suppliers.

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Materials, chemicals and solutions:

Horse Radish Peroxidase labeled anti-rat-Ig (Dako, DK, P162, # 031; dilution 1:1000).

35 Mouse anti-rat IgE (Serotec MCA193; dilution 1:200).
Rat anti-mouse IgE (Serotec MCA419; dilution 1:100).
Biotin-labeled mouse anti-rat IgG1 monoclonal antibody (Zymed 03-9140; dilution 1:1000)

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Biotin-labeled rat anti-mouse IgG1 monoclonal antibody (Serotec MCA336B; dilution 1:1000)

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Streptavidin-horse radish peroxidase (Kirkegård & Perry 14-30-00; dilution 1:1000).

5 CovaLink NH₂ plates (Nunc, Cat# 459439)

· Cyanuric chloride (Aldrich)

(Merck) Acetone

(SeroTec, Cat# MCA336B) Rat anti-Mouse IgG1, biotin

Streptavidin, peroxidase (KPL)

10 Ortho-Phenylene-diamine (OPD) (Kem-en-Tec)

 H_2O_2 , 30% (Merck)

Tween 20 (Merck)

Skim Milk powder (Difco)

H₂SO₄ (Merck)

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Buffers and Solutions:

Carbonate buffer (0.1 M, pH 10 (1 liter)) Na₂CO₃ 10.60 g PBS (pH 7.2 (1 liter)) NaCl 8.00 g KCl 0.20 g 1.04 g K₂HPO₄ KH₂PO₄ 0.32 g

Washing buffer PBS, 0.05% (v/v) Tween 20

Blocking buffer PBS, 2% (wt/v) Skim Milk powder

Dilution buffer PBS, 0.05% (v/v) Tween 20, 0.5% (wt/v) Skim Milk

25 powder

Citrate buffer (0.1M, pH 5.0-5.2 (1 liter)) NaCitrate 20.60 g Citric acid 6.30 g

Activation of CovaLink plates:

- · Make a fresh stock solution of 10 mg cyanuric chloride per ml 30 acetone.
 - · Just before use, dilute the cyanuric chloride stock solution into PBS, while stirring, to a final concentration of lmg/ml.
 - · Add 100 ml of the dilution to each well of the CovaLink NH2 plates, and incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- 35 · Wash 3 times with PBS.
 - · Dry the freshly prepared activated plates at 50°C for 30 minutes.
 - · Immediately seal each plate with sealing tape.

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· Preactivated plates can be stored at room temperature for 3 weeks when kept in a plastic bag.

Sodium Borate, borax (Sigma)

5 3,3-Dimethyl glutaric acid (Sigma)

CaCl₂ (Sigma)

Tresyl chloride (2,2,2-triflouroethansulfonyl chloride) (Fluka) 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide (EDC) (Fluka) N-Hydroxy succinimide (Fluka art. 56480))

10 Phosgene (Fluka art. 79380)

Lactose (Merck 7656)

PMSF (phenyl methyl sulfonyl flouride) from Sigma Succinyl-Alanine-Alanine-Proline-Phenylalanine-para-nitroanilide (Suc-AAPF-pNP) Sigma no. S-7388, Mw 624.6 g/mole.

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Colouring substrate:

OPD: o-phenylene-diamine, (Kementec cat no. 4260)

Test Animals:

20 Dunkin Hartley guinea pigs (from Charles River, DE)
Female Balb/C mice (about 20 grams) purchased from Bomholdtgaard,
Ry, Denmark.

Equipment:

25 XCEL II (Novex)

ELISA reader (UVmax, Molecular Devices)

HPLC (Waters)

PFLC (Pharmacia)

Superdex-75 column, Mono-Q, Mono S from Pharmacia, SW.

30 SLT: Fotometer from SLT LabInstruments
Size-exclusion chromatograph (Spherogel TSK-G2000 SW).
Size-exclusion chromatograph (Superdex 200, Pharmacia, SW)
Amicon Cell

35 Enzymes for DNA manipulations

Unless otherwise mentioned all enzymes for DNA manipulations, such as e.g. restriction endonucleases, ligases etc., are obtained from New England Biolabs. Inc.

Methods

ELISA procedure for determination of IqG1 positive quinea pigs

ELISA microtiter plates are coated with rabbit anti-PD498 5 1:8000 in carbonate buffer and incubated over night at 4°C. The next day the plates is blocked with 2% BSA for 1 hour and washes 3 times with PBS Tween 20.

1 μ g/ml PD498 is added to the plates and incubated for 1 hour, then washed 3 times with PBS Tween 20.

All guinea pig sera samples and controls are applied to the ELISA plates with 2 μl sera and 98 μl PBS, incubated for 1 hour and washed 3 times with PBS Tween 20.

Then goat anti-guinea pig IgG₁ (1:4000 in PBS buffer (Nordic Immunology 44-682)) is applied to the plates, incubated for 1 hour 15 and washed with PBS tween 20.

Alkaline phosphatase marked rabbit anti-goat 1:8000 (Sigma A4187) is applied and incubated for 1 hour, washed 2 times in PBS Tween20 and 1 time with diethanol amine buffer.

The marked alkaline phosphatase is developed using p-20 nitrophenyl phosphate for 30 minutes at 37°C or until appropriate colour has developed.

The reaction is stopped using Stop medium (K_2HPO_4/HaH_3) buffer comprising EDTA (pH 10)) and read at OD 405/650 using a ELISA reader.

25 Double blinds are included on all ELISA plates.

Positive and negative sera values are calculated as the average blind values added 2 times the standard deviation. This gives an accuracy of 95%.

30 Determination of the molecule weight

Electrophoretic separation of proteins was performed by standard methods using 4-20% gradient SDS poly acrylamide gels (Novex). Proteins were detected by silver staining. The molecule weight was measured relative to the mobility of Mark-12® wide range molecule weight standards from Novex.

35 Weight Standards 110m Novem

Protease activity

Analysis with Suc-Ala-Ala-Pro-Phe-pNa:

Proteases cleave the bond between the peptide and pnitroaniline to give a visible yellow colour absorbing at 405 nm.

Buffer: e.g. Britton and Robinson buffer pH 8.3

5 Substrate: 100 mg suc-AAPF-pNa is dissolved into 1 ml dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO). 100 μl of this is diluted into 10 ml with Britton and Robinson buffer.

The substrate and protease solution is mixed and the absorbance is monitored at 405 nm as a function of time and ABS_{405} 10 nm/min. The temperature should be controlled (20-50°C depending on protease). This is a measure of the protease activity in the sample.

Proteolytic Activity

In the context of this invention proteolytic activity is expressed in Kilo NOVO Protease Units (KNPU). The activity is determined relatively to an enzyme standard (SAVINASE_), and the determination is based on the digestion of a dimethyl casein (DMC) solution by the proteolytic enzyme at standard conditions, i.e. 50°C, pH 8.3, 9 min. reaction time, 3 min. measuring time. A folder AF 220/1 is available upon request to Novo Nordisk A/S, Denmark, which folder is hereby included by reference.

A GU is a Glycine Unit, defined as the proteolytic enzyme 25 activity which, under standard conditions, during a 15-minutes' incubation at 40°C, with N-acetyl casein as substrate, produces an amount of NH₂-group equivalent to 1 mmole of glycine.

Enzyme activity can also be measured using the PNA assay, according to reaction with the soluble substrate succinyl-30 alanine-alanine-proline-phenyl-alanine-para-nitrophenol, which is described in the Journal of American Oil Chemists Society, Rothgeb, T.M., Goodlander, B.D., Garrison, P.H., and Smith, L.A., (1988).

35 Fermentation of PD498 variants

Fermentation of PD498 variants in *B. subtilis* are performed at 30°C on a rotary shaking table (300 r.p.m.) in 500 ml baffled Erlenmeyer flasks containing 100 ml BPX medium for 5 days. In

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order to make an e.g. 2 liter broth 20 Erlenmeyer flasks are fermented simultaneously.

Media:

5 BPX: Composition (per liter)

Potato starch 100g

Ground barley 50g

Soybean flour 20g

Na₂HPO₄ X 12 H₂O 9g

10 Pluronic 0.1g

Sodium caseinate 10g

The starch in the medium is liquefied with α -amylase and the medium is sterilized by heating at 120°C for 45 minutes. After sterilization the pH of the medium is adjusted to 9 by 15 addition of NaHCO3 to 0.1 M.

Purification of PD498 variants

Approximately 1.6 litres of PD498 variant fermentation broth are centrifuged at 5000 rpm for 35 minutes in 1 litre 20 beakers. The supernatants are adjusted to pH 7.0 using 10% acetic acid and filtered on Seitz Supra S100 filter plates. The filtrates are concentrated to approximately 400 ml using an Amicon CH2A UF unit equipped with an Amicon S1Y10 UF cartridge. The UF concentrate is centrifuged and filtered prior to

25 absorption at room temperature on a Bacitracin affinity column at pH 7. The PD498 variant is eluted from the Bacitracin column at room temperature using 25% 2-propanol and 1 M sodium chloride in a buffer solution with 0.01 dime-thyl-glutaric acid, 0.1 M boric acid and 0.002 M calcium chloride adjusted to 30 pH 7.

The fractions with protease activity from the Bacitracin purification step are combined and applied to a 750 ml Sephadex G25 column (5 cm diameter) equilibrated with a buffer containing 0.01 dimethylglutaric acid, 0.1 M boric acid and

Fractions with proteolytic activity from the Sephadex G25 column are combined and applied to a 150 ml CM Sepharose CL 6B cat-ion exchange column (5 cm diameter) equilibrated with a

35 0.002 M calcium chloride adjusted to pH 6.0.

buffer containing 0.01 M dimethylglutaric acid, 0.1 M boric acid, and 0.002 M calcium chloride adjusted to pH 6.0. The protease is eluted using a linear gradient of 0-0.5 M sodium chloride in 1 litres of the same buffer.

5 Protease containing fractions from the CM Sepharose column are combined and filtered through a 2μ filter.

Balb/C mice IqG ELISA Procedure:

- · The antigen is diluted to 1 mg/ml in carbonate buffer.
- 10 · 100 ml is added to each well.
 - · The plates are coated overnight at 4°C.
 - · Unspecific adsorption is blocked by incubating each well for 1 hour at room temperature with 200 ml blocking buffer.
 - · The plates are washed 3x with 300 ml washing buffer.
- 15 Unknown mouse sera are diluted in dilution buffer, typically 10x, 20x and 40x, or higher.
 - · 100 ml is added to each well.
 - · Incubation is for 1 hour at room temperature.
 - · Unbound material is removed by washing 3x with washing buffer.
- 20 · The anti-Mouse IgG1 antibody is diluted 2000x in dilution buffer.
 - · 100 ml is added to each well.
 - · Incubation is for 1 hour at room temperature.
 - · Unbound material is removed by washing 3x with washing buffer.
- 25 · Streptavidine is diluted 1000x in dilution buffer.
 - · 100 ml is added to each well.
 - · Incubation is for 1 hour at room temperature.
 - · Unbound material is removed by washing 3x with 300 ml washing buffer.
- 30 OPD (0.6 mg/ml) and H_2O_2 (0.4 ml/ml) is dissolved in citrate buffer.
 - · 100 ml is added to each well.
 - · Incubation is for 10 minutes at room temperature.
 - The reaction is stopped by adding 100 ml H₂SO₄.
- 35 The plates are read at 492 nm with 620 nm as reference.

Immunisation of mice

Balb/C mice (20 grams) are immunised 10 times (intervals of 14

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days) by subcutaneous injection of the modified or unmodified polypeptide in question, respectively by standard proceedures known in art.

5 EXAMPLES

Example 1

Suitable substitutions in PD498 for addition of amino 10 attachment groups (-NH2)

The 3D structure of parent PD498 was modeled as described above based on 59% sequence identity with Thermitase® (2tec.pdb).

The sequence of PD498 is (see SEQ ID NO. 2). PD498 residue 15 numbering is used, 1-280.

The commands performed in Insight (BIOSYM) are shown in the command files makeKzone.bcl and makeKzone2.bcl below:

Conservative substitutions:

20 makeKzone.bcl

- 1 Delete Subset *
- 2 Color Molecule Atoms * Specified Specification 55,0,255
- 3 Zone Subset LYS :lys:NZ Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0
- 25 4 Zone Subset NTERM :1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0
 - 5 #N $\overline{ ext{O}}$ TE: editnextline ACTSITE residues according to the protein
 - 6 Zone Subset ACTSITE: 39,72,226 Static monomer/residue 8
- 30 Color Subset 255,255,0
 - 7 Combine Subset ALLZONE Union LYS NTERM
 - 8 Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE ACTSITE
 - 9 #NOTE: editnextline object name according to the protein
 - 10 Combine Subset REST Difference PD498FINALMODEL ALLZONE
- 35 11 List Subset REST Atom Output_File restatom.list
 - 12 List Subset REST monomer/residue Output_File restmole.list
 - 13 Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITE Specified \overline{S} pecification 255,0,0
 - 14 List Subset ACTSITE Atom Output_File actsiteatom.list
 - 15 List Subset ACTSITE monomer/residue Output File
- 40 actsitemole.list
 - 16 #
 - 17 Zone Subset REST5A REST Static Monomer/Residue 5 -Color Subset
 - 18 Combine Subset SUB5A Difference REST5A ACTSITE
- 45 19 Combine Subset SUB5B Difference SUB5A REST
 - 20 Color Molecule Atoms SUB5B Specified Specification 255,255,255
 - 21 List Subset SUB5B Atom Output File sub5batom.list
 - 22 List Subset SUB5B monomer/residue Output_File sub5bmole.list

23 #Now identify sites for lys->arg substitutions and continue with makezone2.bcl

24 #Use grep command to identify ARG in restatom.list, sub5batom.list & accsiteatom.list

Comments:

Lines 1-8: The subset ALLZONE is defined as those residues which are either within 10 Å of the free amino groups on lysines or the N-terminal, or within 8 Å of the catalytic triad 10 residues 39, 72 and 226.

Line 10: The subset REST is defined as those residues not included in ALLZONE.

Lines 17-20: Subset SUB5B is defined as those residues in a 5 Å shell around REST, excluding residues within 8 Å of the 15 catalytic residues.

Line 23-24: REST contains Arg62 and Arg169, SUB5B contains Arg51, Arg121, and Arg250. ACTSITE contains Arg103, but position 103 is within 8 Å from essential_catalytic_residues, and thus not relevant.

The colour codes are: (255,0,255) = magenta, (255,255,0)yellow, (255,0,0) red, and (255, 255, 255) = white. The substitutions R51K, R62K, R121K, R169K and R250K are identified in parent PD498 as suitable sites for mutagenesis. The residues are substituted below in section 2, and further 25 analysis done:

Non-conservative substitutions:

makeKzone2.bcl

- #sourcefile makezone2.bcl Claus von der Osten
- 30 2
 - #having scanned lists (grep arg command) and identified sites for lys->arg substitutions
 - #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
 - Copy Object -To Clipboard -Displace PD498FINALMODEL
- 35 newmodel
 - 6 Biopolymer
 - #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
 - Blank Object On PD498FINALMODEL
 - #NOTE: editnextlines with lys->arg positions
- 40 10 Replace Residue newmodel:51 lys L
 - 11 Replace Residue newmodel:62 lys L
 - 12 Replace Residue newmodel:121 lys L 13 Replace Residue newmodel:169 lys L
 - 14 Replace Residue newmodel:250 lys L
- 45 15 #

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16 #Now repeat analysis done prior to arg->lys, now including introduced lysines

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- 17 Color Molecule Atoms newmodel Specified Specification 255,0,255
- Zone Subset LYSx newmodel:lys:NZ Static monomer/residue 10 5 18 Color Subset 255,255,0
 - Zone Subset NTERMx newmodel:1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0
- $\#\overline{ ext{NOTE}}$: editnextline ACTSITEx residues according to the
- 10 protein
 - 21 Zone Subset ACTSITEx newmodel:39,72,226 Static monomer/residue 8 Color Subset 255,255,0
 - 22 Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union LYSX NTERMX
 - 23 Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX ACTSITEX
- 15 24 Combine Subset RESTx Difference newmodel ALLZONEx
 - 25 List Subset RESTx Atom Output_File restxatom.list
 - 26 List Subset RESTx monomer/residue Output_File restxmole.list
- 20 28 Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITEx Specified Specification 255,0,0
 - 29 List Subset ACTSITEx Atom Output File actsitexatom.list
 - 30 List Subset ACTSITEx monomer/residue Output File actsitexmole.list
- 25 31 #
 - 32 #read restxatom.list or restxmole.list to identify sites for (not arg)->lys subst. if needed

Comments:

Lines 1-15: Solvent exposed arginines in subsets REST and SUB5B are replaced by lysines. Solvent accessibilities are recalculated following arginine replacement.

Lines 16-23: The subset ALLZONEx is defined as those residues which are either within 10 Å of the free amino groups 35 on Lysines (after replacement) or the N-terminal, or within 8 Å of the catalytic triad residues 39, 72 and 226.

Line 24-26: The subset RESTx is defined as those residues not included in ALLZONEx, i.e. residues which are still potential epitope contributors. Of the residues in RESTx, the 40 following are >5% exposed (see lists below): 6-7,9-12,43-

45,65,87-88,209,211,216-221,262.

The following mutations are proposed in parent PD498: P6K, Y7K, S9K, A10K, Y11K, Q12K, D43K, Y44K, N45K, N65K, G87K, I88K, N209K, A211K, N216K, N217K, G218K, Y219K, S220K, Y221K, G262K.

45 Relevant data for Example 1:

Solvent accessibility data for PD498MODEL:

Fri Nov 29 10:24:48 MET 1996 # PD498MODEL # residue area

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   SER 2
             88.188095
   PRO 3
             15.458788
   ASN 4
             95.322319
5 ASP 5
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   PRO 6
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   TYR 8
             31.791576
   SER 9
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10 ALA 10
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   TYR 11
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15 PRO_15
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20 THR 20
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30 SER_30
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Example 2

Suitable substitutions in Savinase® for addition of amino

20 attachment groups (-NH₂)

The known X-ray structure of Savinase® was used to find where suitable amino attachment groups may is added (Betzel et al, (1992), J. Mol. Biol. 223,p. 427-445).

The 3D structure of Savinase® is available in the Brookhaven 25 Databank as 1svn.pbd. A related subtilisin is available as 1st3.pdb.

The sequence of Savinase® is shown in SEQ ID NO. 3

The sequence numbering used is that of subtilisin BPN',

Savinase® having deletions relative to BPN' at positions: 36,

30 56, 158-159 and 163-164. The active site residues (functional site) are D32, H64 and S221.

The commands performed in Insight (BIOSYM) are shown in the command files makeKzone.bcl and makeKzone2.bcl below:

35 Conservative substitutions:

makeKzone.bcl

Delete Subset *
Color Molecule Atoms * Specified Specification 255,0,255
Zone Subset LYS: lys: NZ Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset
40 255,255,0
Zone Subset NTERM:e1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset
255,255,0
#NOTE: editnextline ACTSITE residues according to the protein
Zone Subset ACTSITE:e32,e64,e221 Static monomer/residue 8
45 Color_Subset 255,255,0
Combine Subset ALLZONE Union LYS NTERM

Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE ACTSITE #NOTE: editnextline object name according to the protein

Combine Subset REST Difference SAVI8 ALLZONE
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List Subset REST monomer/residue Output_File restmole.list
Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITE Specified Specification 255,0,0

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List Subset ACTSITE monomer/residue Output_File
actsitemole.list
#

#
Zone Subset REST5A REST Static Monomer/Residue 5 -Color_Subset
10 Combine Subset SUB5A Difference REST5A ACTSITE
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 Color Molecule Atoms SUB5B Specified Specification 255,255,255
 List Subset SUB5B Atom Output_File sub5batom.list
 List Subset SUB5B monomer/residue Output_File sub5bmole.list
15 #Now identify sites for lys->arg substitutions and continue
 with makezone2.bcl
 #Use grep command to identify ARG in restatom.list,
 sub5batom.list & accsiteatom.list

20 Comments:

In this case of Savinase® REST contains the Arginines Arg10, Arg170 and Arg 186, and SUB5B contains Arg19, Arg45, Arg145 and Arg247.

These residues are all solvent exposed. The substitutions 25 R10K, R19K, R45K, R145K, R170K, R186K and R247K are identified in Savinase® as sites for mutagenesis within the scope of this invention. The residues are substituted below in section 2, and further analysis done. The subset ACTSITE contains Lys94.

The substitution K94R is a mutation removing Lysine as 30 attachment group close to the active site.

Non-conservative substitutions:

Replace Residue newmodel:e145 lys L 50 Replace Residue newmodel:e241 lys L

makeKzone2.bcl

#sourcefile makezone2.bcl Claus von der Osten 961128
35 #
 #having scanned lists (grep arg command) and identified sites
 for lys->arg substitutions
 #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
 Copy Object -To_Clipboard -Displace SAVI8 newmodel
40 Biopolymer
 #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
 Blank Object On SAVI8
 #NOTE: editnextlines with lys->arg positions
 Replace Residue newmodel:e10 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e170 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e186 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e19 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e19 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e19 lys L
 Replace Residue newmodel:e45 lys L

#Now repeat analysis done prior to arg->lys, now including introduced lysines Color Molecule Atoms newmodel Specified Specification 255,0,255 5 Zone Subset LYSx newmodel:lys:NZ Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0 Zone Subset NTERMx newmodel:e1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0 #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITEx residues according to the protein 10 Zone Subset ACTSITEx newmodel:e32,e64,e221 Static monomer/residue 8 Color Subset 255,255,0 Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union LYSX NTERMX Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX ACTSITEX Combine Subset RESTx Difference newmodel ALLZONEx 15 List Subset RESTx Atom Output File restxatom.list List Subset RESTx monomer/residue Output_File restxmole.list Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITEx Specified Specification 255,0,0 List Subset ACTSITEx Atom Output_File actsitexatom.list 20 List Subset ACTSITEx monomer/residue Output_File actsitexmole.list #read restxatom.list or restxmole.list to identify sites for (not arg)->lys subst. if needed 25 Comments: Of the residues in RESTx, the following are >5% exposed (see lists below): 5,14,22,38-40,42,75-76,82,86,103-105,108,133-The following

135,137,140,173,204,206,211-213,215-216,269. 30 mutations are proposed in Savinase®: P5K, P14K, T22K, T38K,

H39K, P40K, L42K, L75K, N76K, L82K, P86K, S103K, V104K, S105K, A108K, A133K, T134K, L135K, Q137K, N140K, N173K, N204K, Q206K, G211K, S212K, T213K, A215K, S216K, N269K.

Relevant data for Example 2:

35 Solvent accessibility data for SAVINASE®: Fri Nov 29 13:32:07 MET 1996 # SAVI8NOH2O # residue area

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45 ILE 8 6.664074 SER 9 60.175900 ARG 10 70.928963

VAL 11 2.686934

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   SAVI8:SER E190:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
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   SAVI8:TYR E192:N,CA,OH,CZ,CD2,CE2,CE1,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E200:N,CA,CB,C,O
10 SAVI8: VAL E203: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ASN E204:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLN E206:N, CA, NE2, OE1, CD, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:GLY E211:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E212:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
15 SAVI8: THR E213: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ALA E215:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E216:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: VAL E227: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ALA E228:N,CA,CB,C,O
20 SAVI8:GLY E229:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E230:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: THR E255: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:SER E256:N, CA, OG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: LEU E257: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
25 SAVI8:GLY E258:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E259:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ASN E261:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:LEU E262:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:LEU E267:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
30 SAVI8: VAL E268: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ASN E269:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   Subset SUB5B:
      sub5bmole.list
   Subset SUB5B:
35 SAVI8: E2-E4, E16, E19-E21, E23-E24, E28, E37, E41, E44-E45,
   E77-E81,E87-E88,
   SAVI8: E90, E113-E114, E117-E118, E120-E121, E145-
   E148, E169, E172, E174-E176,
   SAVI8: E193-E196, E198-E199, E214, E231-
40 E234, E236, E243, E247, E250, E253-E254,
   SAVI8: E260, E263-E266, E270-E273, M276H-M277H
      sub5batom.list
   Subset SUB5B:
   SAVI8:GLN E2:N,CA,NE2,OE1,CD,CG,CB,C,O
45 SAVI8:SER E3:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: VAL E4:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ALA E16:N, CA, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: ARG E19:N, CA, NH2, NH1, CZ, NE, CD, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:GLY E20:N,CA,C,O
50 SAVI8: LEU E21: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:GLY E23:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E24:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: VAL E28:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:SER E37:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
55 SAVI8:ASP E41:N,CA,OD2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: ILE E44: N, CA, CD1, CG1, CB, CG2, C, O
   SAVI8: ARG E45: N, CA, NH2, NH1, CZ, NE, CD, CG, CB, C, O
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SAVI8:ASN E77:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E78:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ILE E79:N,CA,CD1,CG1,CB,CG2,C,O
   SAVI8:GLY E80:N,CA,C,O
5 SAVI8: VAL E81:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:SER E87:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E88:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:LEU E90:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:TRP E113:N,CA,CD2,CE2,NE1,CD1,CG,CE3,CZ3,CH2,CZ2,CB,C,O
10 SAVI8:ALA E114:N, CA, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: ASN E117: N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:GLY E118:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:HIS E120:N, CA, CD2, NE2, CE1, ND1, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: VAL E121: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
15 SAVI8:ARG E145:N,CA,NH2,NH1,CZ,NE,CD,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLY E146:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8: VAL E147: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: LEU E148: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ALA E169:N,CA,CB,C,O
20 SAVI8:ALA E172:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E174:N, CA, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:MET E175:N, CA, CE, SD, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ALA E176:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLY E193:N,CA,C,O
25 SAVI8:ALA E194:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLY E195:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8: LEU E196: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8: ILE E198: N, CA, CD1, CG1, CB, CG2, C, O
   SAVI8: VAL E199: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
30 SAVI8:TYR E214:N,CA,OH,CZ,CD2,CE2,CE1,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E231:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E232:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:LEU E233:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8: VAL E234: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
35 SAVI8:GLN E236:N, CA, NE2, OE1, CD, CG, CB, C, O
   SAVI8:ASN E243:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ARG E247:N,CA,NH2,NH1,CZ,NE,CD,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:LEU E250:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:THR E253:N,CA,CG2,OG1,CB,C,O
40 SAVI8:ALA E254:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:THR E260:N,CA,CG2,OG1,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:TYR E263:N,CA,OH,CZ,CD2,CE2,CE1,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLY E264:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:SER E265:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
45 SAVI8:GLY E266:N,CA,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E270:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:GLU E271:N,CA,OE2,OE1,CD,CG,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E272:N,CA,CB,C,O
   SAVI8:ALA E273:N,CA,CB,C,O
50 SAVI8:ION M276H:CA
   SAVI8:ION M277H:CA
   Subset ACTSITE:
      actsitemole.list
   Subset ACTSITE:
55 SAVI8: E29-E35, E48-E51, E54, E58-E72, E91-E102, E106-E107, E110, E123-
   E127,
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SAVI8: E151-E155, E177-E179, E189, E201-E202, E205, E207-E210, E217-E226

actsiteatom.list 5 Subset ACTSITE: SAVI8:ALA E29:N,CA,CB,C,O SAVI8: VAL E30:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O SAVI8: LEU E31: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O SAVI8:ASP E32:N,CA,OD2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8: THR E33: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O 10 SAVI8:GLY E34:N,CA,C,O SAVI8: ILE E35: N, CA, CD1, CG1, CB, CG2, C, O SAVI8:ALA E48:N,CA,CB,C,O SAVI8:SER E49:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O SAVI8: PHE E50: N, CA, CD2, CE2, CZ, CE1, CD1, CG, CB, C, O 15 SAVI8: VAL E51:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLU E54:N,CA,OE2,OE1,CD,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8: THR E58: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLN E59:N,CA,NE2,OE1,CD,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8:ASP E60:N,CA,OD2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O 20 SAVI8:GLY E61:N,CA,C,O SAVI8:ASN E62:N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLY E63:N,CA,C,O SAVI8: HIS E64: N, CA, CD2, NE2, CE1, ND1, CG, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLY E65:N,CA,C,O 25 SAVI8:THR E66:N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:HIS E67:N,CA,CD2,NE2,CE1,ND1,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8: VAL E68: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:ALA E69:N,CA,CB,C,O 30 SAVI8:GLY E70:N,CA,C,O SAVI8: THR E71: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O SAVI8: ILE E72: N, CA, CD1, CG1, CB, CG2, C, O SAVI8:TYR E91:N, CA, OH, CZ, CD2, CE2, CE1, CD1, CG, CB, C, O SAVI8:ALA E92:N,CA,CB,C,O 35 SAVI8: VAL E93: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:LYS E94:N,CA,NZ,CE,CD,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8: VAL E95:N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O SAVI8:LEU E96:N,CA,CD2,CD1,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8:GLY E97:N,CA,C,O 40 SAVI8:ALA E98:N,CA,CB,C,O SAVI8:SER E99:N, CA, OG, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLY E100:N,CA,C,O SAVI8:SER E101:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O SAVI8:GLY E102:N,CA,C,O 45 SAVI8:SER E106:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O SAVI8: ILE E107: N, CA, CD1, CG1, CB, CG2, C, O SAVI8:GLY E110:N,CA,C,O SAVI8:ASN E123:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O SAVI8: LEU E124: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O 50 SAVI8:SER E125:N, CA, OG, CB, C, O SAVI8: LEU E126: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O SAVI8:GLY E127:N,CA,C,O SAVI8:ALA E151:N,CA,CB,C,O SAVI8:ALA E152:N,CA,CB,C,O 55 SAVI8:SER E153:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O SAVI8:GLY E154:N,CA,C,O SAVI8:ASN E155:N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O

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SAVI8: VAL E177: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:GLY E178:N,CA,C,O
        SAVI8:ALA E179:N,CA,CB,C,O
        SAVI8: PHE E189: N, CA, CD2, CE2, CZ, CE1, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:PRO E201:N,CD,CA,CG,CB,C,O
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        SAVI8:GLY E202:N,CA,C,O
        SAVI8: VAL E205: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:SER E207:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
        SAVI8: THR E208: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:TYR E209:N,CA,OH,CZ,CD2,CE2,CE1,CD1,CG,CB,C,O
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        SAVI8:PRO E210:N,CD,CA,CG,CB,C,O
        SAVI8: LEU E217: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:ASN E218:N,CA,ND2,OD1,CG,CB,C,O
        SAVI8:GLY E219:N,CA,C,O
        SAVI8: THR E220: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
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        SAVI8:SER E221:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
        SAVI8:MET E222:N, CA, CE, SD, CG, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:ALA E223:N,CA,CB,C,O
        SAVI8: THR E224: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        SAVI8:PRO E225:N,CD,CA,CG,CB,C,O
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        SAVI8:HIS E226:N,CA,CD2,NE2,CE1,ND1,CG,CB,C,O
   Subset RESTx:
       restxmole.list
   Subset RESTX:
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        NEWMODEL: E5, E13-E14, E22, E38-E40,
                   E42, E73-E76, E82-E86, E103-E105,
        NEWMODEL: E108, E122, E133-E135, E137-E140,
                   E149-E150, E173, E204, E206,
        NEWMODEL: E211-E213, E215-E216, E227-
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                   E258,E269
       restxatom.list
    Subset RESTX:
        NEWMODEL: PRO E5: N, CD, CA, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E13:N, CA, CB, C, O
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        NEWMODEL: PRO E14: N, CD, CA, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: THR E22:N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: THR E38: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: HIS E39: N, CA, CD2, NE2, CE1, ND1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: PRO E40: N, CD, CA, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: LEU E42: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
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        NEWMODEL: ALA E73:N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E74: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: LEU E75: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ASN E76:N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: LEU E82: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL:GLY E83:N,CA,C,O
        NEWMODEL: VAL E84: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E85: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: PRO E86: N, CD, CA, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL:SER E103:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
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        NEWMODEL: VAL E104: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL:SER E105:N, CA, OG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E108: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E122: N, CA, CB, C, O
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        NEWMODEL: ALA E133: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: THR E134:N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: LEU E135: N, CA, CD2, CD1, CG, CB, C, O
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NEWMODEL:GLN E137:N,CA,NE2,OE1,CD,CG,CB,C,O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E138: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: VAL E139: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ASN E140: N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
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        NEWMODEL: VAL E149: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: VAL E150: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ASN E173: N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ASN E204: N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL:GLN E206:N, CA, NE2, OE1, CD, CG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL:GLY E211:N, CA, C, O
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        NEWMODEL:SER E212:N,CA,OG,CB,C,O
        NEWMODEL: THR E213: N, CA, CG2, OG1, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ALA E215: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: SER E216: N, CA, OG, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: VAL E227: N, CA, CG2, CG1, CB, C, O
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        NEWMODEL: ALA E228: N, CA, CB, C, O
        NEWMODEL: GLY E229: N, CA, C, O
        NEWMODEL: GLY E258: N, CA, C, O
        NEWMODEL: ASN E269: N, CA, ND2, OD1, CG, CB, C, O
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Example 3

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Suitable substitutions in PD498 for addition of carboxylic acid attachment groups (-COOH)

The 3D structure of PD498 was modeled as described in

25 Example 1.

Suitable locations for addition of carboxylic attachment groups (Aspartatic acids and Glutamic acids) were found as follows.

The procedure described in Example 1 was followed. The commands performed in Insight (BIOSYM) are shown in the command files makeDEzone.bcl and makeDEzone2.bcl below:

Conservative substutitions:

makeDEzone.bcl

Delete Subset *

- 35 Color Molecule Atoms * Specified Specification 255,0,255
 Zone Subset ASP :asp:od* Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0
 Zone Subset GLU :glu:oe* Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0
- 40 #NOTE: editnextline C-terminal residue number according to the
 protein
 Zone Subset CTERM :280:O Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset
 255,255,0
- #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITE residues according to the protein
 45 Zone Subset ACTSITE :39,72,226 Static monomer/residue 8

Color_Subset 255,255,0
Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ASP GLU
Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE CTERM
Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE ACTSITE

50 #NOTE: editnextline object name according to the protein Combine Subset REST Difference PD498FINALMODEL ALLZONE

List Subset REST Atom Output File restatom.list List Subset REST monomer/residue Output_File restmole.list Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITE Specified Specification 255,0,0 List Subset ACTSITE Atom Output File actsiteatom.list 5 List Subset ACTSITE monomer/residue Output File actsitemole.list

Zone Subset REST5A REST Static Monomer/Residue 5 -Color_Subset Combine Subset SUB5A Difference REST5A ACTSITE

10 Combine Subset SUB5B Difference SUB5A REST Color Molecule Atoms SUB5B Specified Specification 255,255,255 List Subset SUB5B Atom Output File sub5batom.list, List Subset SUB5B monomer/residue Output_File sub5bmole.list #Now identify sites for asn->asp & $gln->\overline{g}lu$ substitutions and

#continue with makezone2.bcl. #Use grep command to identify asn/gln in restatom.list ... #sub5batom.list & accsiteatom.list

20 Comments:

The subset REST contains Gln33 and Asn245, SUB5B contains Gln12, Gln126, Asn209, Gln242, Asn246, Gln248 and Asn266, all of which are solvent exposed.

The substitutions Q12E or Q12D, Q33E or Q33D, Q126E or 25 Q126D, N209D or N209E, Q242E or Q242D, N245D or N245E, N246D or N246E, Q248E or Q248D and N266D or N266E are identified in PD498 as sites for mutagenesis within the scope of this invention. Residues are substituted below in section 2, and further analysis done:

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Non-conservative substitutions:

makeDEzone2.bcl

Claus von der Osten #sourcefile makezone2.bcl

35 #having scanned lists (grep gln/asn command) and identified sites for ...

#asn->asp & gln->glu substitutions

#NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein

Copy Object -To Clipboard -Displace PD498FINALMODEL newmodel 40 Biopolymer

#NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein Blank Object On PD498FINALMODEL

#NOTE: editnextlines with asn->asp & gln->glu positions Replace Residue newmodel:33 glu L

- 45 Replace Residue newmodel:245 asp L
 - Replace Residue newmodel:12 glu L Replace Residue newmodel:126 glu L

 - Replace Residue newmodel:209 asp L Replace Residue newmodel:242 glu L
- 50 Replace Residue newmodel:246 asp L Replace Residue newmodel: 248 glu L

Replace Residue newmodel:266 asp L #Now repeat analysis done prior to asn->asp & gln->glu, ... #now including introduced asp & glu 5 Color Molecule Atoms newmodel Specified Specification 255,0,255 Zone Subset ASPx newmodel:asp:od* Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0 Zone Subset GLUx newmodel:glu:oe* Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 10 #NOTE: editnextline C-terminal residue number according to the Zone Subset CTERMx newmodel:280:0 Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITEx residues according to the protein 15 Zone Subset ACTSITEx newmodel:39,72,226 Static monomer/residue 8 Color Subset 255,255,0 Combine Subset ALLZONEx Union ASPx GLUx Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX CTERMX Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX ACTSITEX 20 Combine Subset RESTx Difference newmodel ALLZONEx List Subset RESTx Atom Output File restxatom.list List Subset RESTx monomer/residue Output_File restxmole.list Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITEx Specified Specification 255,0,0 25 List Subset ACTSITEx Atom Output File actsitexatom.list List Subset ACTSITEx monomer/residue Output File actsitexmole.list #read restxatom.list or restxmole.list to identify sites for 30 (not gluasp)->gluasp ... #subst. if needed

Comments:

The subset RESTx contains only two residues: A233 and G234,
35 none of which are solvent exposed. No further mutagenesis is
required to obtain complete protection of the surface.
However, it may be necessary to remove some of the reactive
carboxylic groups in the active site region to ensure access to
the active site of PD498. Acidic residues within the subset
40 ACTSITE are: D39, D58, D68 and D106. Of these only the two
latter are solvent exposed and D39 is a functional residue. The
mutations D68N, D68Q, D106N and D106Q were found suitable
according to the present invention.

Relevant data for Example 3:

45 Solvent accessibility data for PD498MODEL: see Example 1 above.

Subset REST:

restmole.list
Subset REST:

PD498FINALMODEL:10-11,33-35,54-55,129-130, 50 221,233-234,236,240,243, PD498FINALMODEL:245,262,264-265

restatom.list

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Subset REST:
   PD498FINALMODEL:ALA 10:N,CA,C,O,CB
 5 PD498FINALMODEL:TYR 11:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,CD1,CD2,CE1,CE2,CZ,OH
   PD498FINALMODEL:GLN 33:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,CD,OE1,NE2
   PD498FINALMODEL: THR 34:N, CA, C, O, CB, OG1, CG2
   PD498FINALMODEL: VAL 35:N, CA, C, O, CB, CG1, CG2
   PD498FINALMODEL: ILE 54:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG1,CG2,CD1
10 PD498FINALMODEL:LYS 55:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,CD,CE,NZ
   PD498FINALMODEL:LYS 129:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,CD,CE,NZ
   PD498FINALMODEL: VAL 130:N, CA, C, O, CB, CG1, CG2
   PD498FINALMODEL:TYR 221:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,CD1,CD2,CE1,CE2,CZ,OH
   PD498FINALMODEL:ALA 233:N,CA,C,O,CB
15 PD498FINALMODEL:GLY 234:N,CA,C,O
   PD498FINALMODEL:ALA 236:N,CA,C,O,CB
   PD498FINALMODEL:ALA 240:N,CA,C,O,CB
   PD498FINALMODEL:GLY 243:N,CA,C,O
   PD498FINALMODEL:ASN 245:N,CA,C,O,CB,CG,OD1,ND2
20 PD498FINALMODEL:GLY 262:N,CA,C,O
   PD498FINALMODEL:GLY 264:N,CA,C,O
   PD498FINALMODEL: THR 265:N, CA, C, O, CB, OG1, CG2
      Subset SUB5B:
      sub5bmole.list
25 Subset SUB5B:
                                               56,81,93-94,97-
   PD498FINALMODEL: 6-9, 12-13, 31-32, 51-53,
   99,122,126-128,
   PD498FINALMODEL: 131, 155-157, 159, 197-199, 209, 211, 219-
   220,232,235,
                                                      253,260-
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   PD498FINALMODEL:GLN 12:N, CA, C, O, CB, CG, CD, OE1, NE2
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            CG, CD1, CD2, CE1, CE2, CZ
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            CG1, CG2, CD1
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5 Subset RESTX:

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restxatom.list

Subset RESTX:

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NEWMODEL:GLY 234:N,CA,C,O 10

Example 4

Suitable substitutions in the Arthromyces ramosus peroxidase for addition of carboxylic acid attachment groups (-COOH)

Suitable locations for addition of carboxylic attachment 15 groups (Aspartatic acids and Glutamic acids) in a nonhydrolytic enzyme, Arthromyces ramosus peroxidase were found as follows.

The 3D structure of this oxido-reductase is available in the 20 Brookhaven Databank as larp.pdb. This A. ramosus peroxidase contains 344 amino acid residues. The first eight residues are not visible in the X-ray structure: QGPGGGGG, and N143 is glycosylated.

The procedure described in Example 1 was followed.

The amino acid sequence of Arthromyces ramosus Peroxidase 25 (E.C.1.11.1.7) is shown in SEQ ID NO 4.

The commands performed in Insight (BIOSYM) are shown in the command files makeDEzone.bcl and makeDEzone2.bcl below. terminal residue is P344, the ACTSITE is defined as the heme

30 group and the two histidines coordinating it (H56 & H184). Conservative substitutions:

makeDEzone.bcl

Delete Subset *

Color Molecule Atoms * Specified Specification 255,0,255

35 Zone Subset ASP :asp:od* Static monomer/residue 10 Color_Subset 255,255,0

Zone Subset GLU :glu:oe* Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0

#NOTE: editnextline C-terminal residue number according to the

40 protein

Zone Subset CTERM :344:0 Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0

#NOTE: editnextline ACTSITE residues according to the protein Zone Subset ACTSITE :HEM,56,184 Static monomer/residue 8

45 Color Subset 255,255,0

Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ASP GLU Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE CTERM

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Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE ACTSITE #NOTE: editnextline object name according to the protein Combine Subset REST Difference ARP ALLZONE List Subset REST Atom Output_File restatom.list 5 List Subset REST monomer/residue Output_File restmole.list

- Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITE Specified Specification 255,0,0 List Subset ACTSITE Atom Output File actsiteatom.list List Subset ACTSITE monomer/residue Output_File actsitemole.list
- 10 # Zone Subset REST5A REST Static Monomer/Residue 5 -Color Subset Combine Subset SUB5A Difference REST5A ACTSITE Combine Subset SUB5B Difference SUB5A REST Color Molecule Atoms SUB5B Specified Specification 255,255,255 15 List Subset SUB5B Atom Output_File sub5batom.list List Subset SUB5B monomer/residue Output_File sub5bmole.list #Now identify sites for asn->asp & gln->glu substitutions and
- #continue with makezone2.bcl. 20 #Use grep command to identify asn/gln in restatom.list ... #sub5batom.list & accsiteatom.list

Comments:

The subset REST contains Gln70, and SUB5B contains Gln34, 25 Asn128, Asn303 all of which are solvent exposed. The substitutions Q34E or Q34D, Q70E or Q70D, N128D or N128E and N303D or N303E are identified in A. ramosus peroxidase as sites for mutagenesis. Residues are substituted below and further analysis done:

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Non-conservative substitutions:

makeDEzone2.bcl

#sourcefile makezone2.bcl Claus von der Osten

35 #having scanned lists (grep gln/asn command) and identified sites for ...

#asn->asp & gln->glu substitutions

#NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein Copy Object -To_Clipboard -Displace ARP newmodel

40 Biopolymer

#NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein Blank Object On ARP

#NOTE: editnextlines with asn->asp & gln->glu positions Replace Residue newmodel:34 glu L

45 Replace Residue newmodel:70 glu L Replace Residue newmodel:128 asp L

Replace Residue newmodel:303 asp L

#Now repeat analysis done prior to asn->asp & gln->glu, ... 50 #now including introduced asp & glu Color Molecule Atoms newmodel Specified Specification 255,0,255

Zone Subset ASPx newmodel:asp:od* Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 Zone Subset GLUx newmodel:glu:oe* Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 5 #NOTE: editnextline C-terminal residue number according to the Zone Subset CTERMx newmodel:344:0 Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITEx residues according to the protein 10 Zone Subset ACTSITEx newmodel: HEM, 56, 184 Static monomer/residue 8 Color Subset 255,255,0 Combine Subset ALLZONEx Union ASPx GLUx Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX CTERMX Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union ALLZONEX ACTSITEX 15 Combine Subset RESTx Difference newmodel ALLZONEx List Subset RESTx Atom Output File restxatom.list List Subset RESTx monomer/residue Output File restxmole.list Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITEx Specified Specification 255,0,0 20 List Subset ACTSITEX Atom Output File actsitexatom.list List Subset ACTSITEx monomer/residue Output File actsitexmole.list #read restxatom.list or restxmole.list to identify sites for 25 (not gluasp) -> gluasp ... #subst. if needed

Comments:

The subset RESTx contains only four residues: S9, S334, G335

30 and P336, all of which are >5% solvent exposed. The mutations

S9D, S9E, S334D, S334E, G335D, G335E, P336D and P336E are

proposed in A. ramosus peroxidase. Acidic residues within the

subset ACTSITE are: E44, D57, D77, E87, E176, D179, E190, D202,

D209, D246 and the N-terminal carboxylic acid on P344. Of these

35 only E44, D77, E176, D179, E190, D209, D246 and the N-terminal

carboxylic acid on P344 are solvent exposed. Suitable sites for

mutations are E44Q, D77N, E176Q, D179N, E190Q, D209N and D246N.

D246N and D246E are risky mutations due to D246's importance

for binding of heme.

The N-terminal 8 residues were not included in the calculations above, as they do not appear in the structure.

None of these 8 residues, QGPGGGG, contain carboxylic groups.

The following variants are proposed as possible mutations to enable attachment to this region: Q1E, Q1D, G2E, G2D, P3E, P3D, 45 G4E, G4D, G5E, G5D, G6E, G6D, G7E, G7D, G8E, G8D.

Relevant data for Example 4:

Solvent accessibility data for A. ramosus peroxidase (Note: as the first eight residues are missing in the X-ray structure, the residue numbers printed in the accessibility list below are 8 lower than those used elsewhere for residue numbering.

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Example 5

Activation of mPEG 15,000 with N-succinimidyl carbonate

mPEG 15,000 was suspended in toluene (4 ml/g of mPEG) 20% was distilled off at normal pressure to dry the reactants azeotropically. Dichloromethane (dry 1 ml/g mPEG) was added when the solution was cooled to 30°C and phosgene in toluene (1.93 M 5 mole/mole mPEG) was added and mixture stirred at room temperature over night. The mixture was evaporated to dryness and the desired product was obtained as waxy lumps.

After evaporation dichloromethane and toluene (1:2, dry 3 ml/g mPEG) was added to re-dissolve the white solid. N-Hydroxy succinimide (2 mole/mole mPEG.) was added as a solid and then 35 triethylamine (1.1 mole/mole mPEG). The mixture was stirred for 3 hours. initially unclear, then clear and ending with a small mixture was evaporated dryness precipitate. The to recrystallised from ethyl acetate (10 ml) with warm filtration to remove salts and insoluble traces. The blank liquid was left for 40 slow cooling at ambient temperature for 16 hours and then in the refrigerator over night. The white precipitate was filtered and washed with a little cold ethyl acetate and dried to yield 98 % (w/w) . NMR Indicating 80 - 90% activation and 5 o/oo (w/w) $HNEt_3Cl.$ ¹H-NMR for mPEG 15,000 (CDCl₃) d 1.42 t (I= 4.8 CH₃ i 45 HNEt3Cl), 2.84 s (I= 3.7 succinimide), 3.10 dq (I= 3.4 CH2 i $HNEt_3Cl)$, 3.38 s (I= 2.7 CH_3 i OMe), 3.40* dd (I = 4.5 o/oo, ^{13}C - WO 98/35026

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satellite), 3.64 bs (I = 1364 main peak), 3.89* dd (I = 4.8 o/oo, 13 C satellite), 4.47 dd (I = 1.8, CH₂ in PEG). No change was seen after storage in a desiccator at 22°C for 4 months.

5 Example 6

Activation of mPEG 5,000 with N-succinimidyl carbonate

Activation of mPEG 5,000 with N-succinimidyl carbonate was performed as described in Example 5.

10 EXAMPLE 7

Construction and expression of PD498 variants:

PD498 site-directed variants were constructed using the "maxioligonucleotide-PCR" method described by Sarkar et al., (1990): BioTechniques 8: 404-407.

The template plasmid was shuttle vector pPD498 or an analogue 15 of this containing a variant of the PD498 protease gene.

The following PD498 variants were constructed, expressed and purified.

A: R28K

20 B: R62K

C: R169K

D: R28K + R62K

E: R28K + R169K

F: R62K + R169K

25 G: R28K+R69K+R169K

Construction of variants

introduction of the R28K substitution a oligonucleotide having the sequence: GGG ATG TAA CCA AGG GAA GCA 30 GCA CTC AAA CG (SEQ ID NO. 7) was used.

A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by Styl digestion and verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.

introduction of the R62K substitution a synthetic 35 For oligonucleotide having the sequence:

CGA CTT TAT CGA TAA GGA CAA TAA CCC (SEQ ID NO. 8) was used.

A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the pPD498 plasmid

prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by ClaI digestion and verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.

For introduction of the R169K substitution a synthetic 5 oligonucleotide having the sequence:

CAA TGT ATC CAA AAC GTT CCA ACC AGC (SEQ ID NO. 9) was used.

A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by the absence of a Rsa I restriction site and verified 10 by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.

For simultaneously introduction of the R28K and the R62K substitutions, synthetic oligonucleotides having the sequence: GGG ATG TAA CCA AGG GAA GCA GCA CTC AAA CG (SEQ ID NO. 7) and the sequence:

- 15 CGA CTT TAT CGA TAA GGA CAA TAA CCC (SEQ ID NO. 8) were used simultaneously. A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by StyI and ClaI digestion and verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.
- For simultaneously introduction of the R28K and the R169K substitutions, synthetic oligonucleotides having the sequence: GGG ATG TAA CCA AGG GAA GCA GCA CTC AAA CG (SEQ ID NO. 8) and the sequence:
- CAA TGT ATC CAA AAC GTT CCA ACC AGC (SEQ ID NO. 8) were used 25 simultaneously. A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by StyI digestion and absence of a Rsa I site. The variant was verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.
- For simultaneously introduction of the R62K and the R169K substitutions, synthetic oligonucleotides having the sequence: CGA CTT TAT CGA TAA GGA CAA TAA CCC (SEQ ID NO. 8) and the sequence: CAA TGT ATC CAA AAC GTT CCA ACC AGC (SEQ ID NO. 9) were used simultaneously. A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the 35 pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by ClaI digestion and absence of a Rsa I site. The variant was verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert

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For simultaneously introduction of the R28K, the R62K and the synthetic oligonucleotides having the substitutions, sequence:

GGG ATG TAA CCA AGG GAA GCA GCA CTC AAA CG (SEQ ID No. 7), the

CGA CTT TAT CGA TAA GGA CAA TAA CCC (SEQ ID NO. 8) and the sequence:

CAA TGT ATC CAA AAC GTT CCA ACC AGC (SEQ ID NO. 9) were used simultaneously. A PCR fragment of 769 bp was ligated into the 10 pPD498 plasmid prepared by Bst E II and Bgl II digestion. Positive variants were recognized by StyI and ClaI digestion and absence of a Rsa I site. The variant was verified by DNA sequencing of the total 769 bp insert.

15 Fermentation, expression and purification of PD498 variants

Vectors hosting the above mentioned PD498 variants were purified from E. coli cultures and transformed into B. subtilis in which organism the variants were fermented, expressed and purified as described in the "Materials and Methods" section above.

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Example 7

Conjugation of triple substituted PD498 variant with activated mPEG 5,000

(i.e. 200 mg of triple substituted PD498 variant 25 R28K+R62K+R169K substituted variant) was incubated in 50 mm NaBorate, pH 10, with 1.8 g of activated mPEG 5,000 with Nsuccinimidyl carbonate (prepared according to Example 2), in a final volume of 20 ml. The reaction was carried out at ambient temperature using magnetic stirring. Reaction time was 1 hour. The 30 reaction was stopped by adding DMG buffer to a final concentration of 5 mM dimethyl glutarate, 1 mM CaCl₂ and 50 mM borate, pH 5.0.

The molecule weight of the obtained derivative was approximately 120 kDa, corresponding to about 16 moles of mPEG attached per mole enzyme.

Compared to the parent enzyme, residual activity was close to 35 peptide substrate (succinyl-Ala-Ala-Pro-Phe-p-100% towards Nitroanilide).

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Example 8

Allergenicity trails of PD498 variant-SPEG5,000 in quinea pigs

Dunkin Hartley guinea pigs are stimulated with 1.0 μ g PD498-SPEG 5,000 and 1.0 μ g modified variant PD498-SPEG 5,000 by 5 intratracheal installation.

Sera from immunized Dunkin Hartley guinea pigs are tested during the trail period in a specific IgG₁ ELISA (described above) to elucidate whether the molecules could activate the immune response system giving rise to a specific IgG₁ response indicating 10 an allergenic response.

The IgG_1 levels of Dunkin Hartley guinea pigs during the trail period of 10 weeks are observed.

Example 9

15 <u>Suitable substitutions in Humicola lanuginosa lipase for addition of amino attachment groups (-NH₂)</u>

The 3D structure of *Humicola lanuginosa* lipase (SEQ ID NO 6) is available in Brookhaven Databank as 1tib.pdb. The lipase consists of 269 amino acids.

The procedure described in Example 1 was followed. The sequence of H. lanuginosa lipase is shown below in the table listing solvent accessibility data for H. lanuginosa lipase.

H. lanuginosa residue numbering is used (1-269), and the active site residues (functional site) are S146, S201 and H258. The synonym TIB is used for H. lanuginosa lipase.

The commands performed in Insight (BIOSYM) are shown in the command files makeKzone.bcl and makeKzone2.bcl below:

Conservative substitutions:

30 makeKzone.bcl

- 1 Delete Subset *
- 2 Color Molecule Atoms * Specified Specification 255,0,255
- 3 Zone Subset LYS: lys: NZ Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0
- 35 4 Zone Subset NTERM:1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0
 - 5 #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITE residues according to the protein
 - 6 Zone Subset ACTSITE: 146,201,258 Static monomer/residue 8
- 40 Color_Subset 255,255,0
 - 7 Combine Subset ALLZONE Union LYS NTERM
 - 8 Combine Subset ALLZONE Union ALLZONE ACTSITE
 - 9 #NOTE: editnextline object name according to the protein

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- 10 Combine Subset REST Difference TIB ALLZONE
- 11 List Subset REST Atom Output_File restatom.list
- 12 List Subset REST monomer/residue Output_File restmole.list
 13 Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITE Specified Specification 255,0,0
- 5 14 List Subset ACTSITE Atom Output_File actsiteatom.list
 - 15 List Subset ACTSITE monomer/residue Output File actsitemole.list
- 17 Zone Subset REST5A REST Static Monomer/Residue 5 -
- 10 Color Subset
 - 18 Combine Subset SUB5A Difference REST5A ACTSITE
 - 19 Combine Subset SUB5B Difference SUB5A REST
 - 20 Color Molecule Atoms SUB5B Specified Specification 255, 255, 255
- 15 21 List Subset SUB5B Atom Output File sub5batom.list
 - 22 List Subset SUB5B monomer/residue Output File sub5bmole.list
 - 23 #Now identify sites for lys->arg substitutions and continue with makezone2.bcl
 - 24 #Use grep command to identify ARG in restatom.list,
- 20 sub5batom.list & accsiteatom.list

Comments:

In this case of H. lanuginosa (=TIB), REST contains the Arginines Arg133, Arg139, Arg160, Arg179 and Arg 209, and SUB5B 25 contains Arg118 and R125.

These residues are all solvent exposed. The substitutions R133K, R139K, R160K, R179K, R209K, R118K and R125K are identified in TIB as sites for mutagenesis within the scope of The residues are substituted below in section this invention. 30 2, and further analysis done. The subset ACTSITE contains no lysines.

Non-conservative substitutions:

makeKzone2.bcl

- #sourcefile makezone2.bcl Claus von der Osten 35 1 2
 - #having scanned lists (grep arg command) and identified sites for lys->arg substitutions
 - #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
- Copy Object -To Clipboard -Displace TIB newmodel 40 5
 - Biopolymer
 - #NOTE: editnextline object name according to protein
 - Blank Object On TIB
 - #NOTE: editnextlines with lys->arg positions
- 45 10 Replace Residue newmodel:118 lys L
 - 11 Replace Residue newmodel:125 lys L
 - 12 Replace Residue newmodel:133 lys L
 - 13 Replace Residue newmodel:139 lys L
 - 14 Replace Residue newmodel:160 lys L
- 50 15 Replace Residue newmodel:179 lys L 16 Replace Residue newmodel:209 lys L

17 #Now repeat analysis done prior to arg->lys, now including introduced lysines 19 Color Molecule Atoms newmodel Specified Specification 5 255,0,255 20 Zone Subset LYSx newmodel:lys:NZ Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 21 Zone Subset NTERMx newmodel:1:N Static monomer/residue 10 Color Subset 255,255,0 10 22 #NOTE: editnextline ACTSITEx residues according to the 23 Zone Subset ACTSITEx newmodel:146,201,258 Static monomer/residue 8 Color_Subset 255,255,0 24 Combine Subset ALLZONEX Union LYSX NTERMX 15 25 Combine Subset ALLZONEx Union ALLZONEx ACTSITEX 26 Combine Subset RESTx Difference newmodel ALLZONEx 27 List Subset RESTx Atom Output File restxatom.list 28 List Subset RESTx monomer/residue Output_File restxmole.list 20 29 # 30 Color Molecule Atoms ACTSITEx Specified Specification 31 List Subset ACTSITEx Atom Output File actsitexatom.list 32 List Subset ACTSITEx monomer/residue Output_File 25 actsitexmole.list 33

30 Comments:

Of the residues in RESTx, the following are >5% exposed (see lists below): 18,31-33,36,38,40,48,50,56-62,64,78,88,91-93,104-106,120,136,225,227-229,250,262,268. Of these three are Cysteines involved in disulfide bridge formation, and

34 #read restxatom.list or restxmole.list to identify sites

35 consequently for structural reasons excluded from the residues to be mutated. The following mutations are proposed in *H*.

lanuginosa lipase (TIB):

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40 V120K, P136K, G225K, L227K, V228K, P229K, P250K, F262K.

Relevant data for Example 2:

84.855331

for (not arg)->lys subst. if needed

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Example 10

Providing a lipase variant E87K+D254K

The Humicola lanuginosa lipase variant E87K+D254K was 40 constructed, expressed and purified as described in WO 92/05249.

Example 11

<u>Lipase-S-PEG 15,000 conjugate</u>

45 The lipase variant E87K+D254K-SPEG conjugate was prepared as described in Example 7, except that the enzyme is the *Humicola lanuginosa* lipase variant (E87K+D254K) described in Example 10 and the polymer is mPEG15,000.

Immunogenecity assessed as IgG₁ of lipase variant (D87K+D254K) in Balb/C mice

Balb/c mice were immunized by subcutanuous injection of:

- i) 50 μ l 0.9% (wt/vol) NaCl solution (control group, 8 mice) 5 (control),
 - ii) 50μ l 0.9% (wt/vol) NaCl solution containing 25 μ g of protein of a *Humicola lanuginosa* lipase variant (E87K+D254K) (group 1, 8 mice) (unmodified lipase variant),
- iii) 50% 0.9% (wt/vol) NaCl solution containing a Humicola
 10 lanugoinosa lipase variant substituted in position D87K+D254K and
 coupled to a N-succinimidyl carbonate activated mPEG 15,000(group
 2, 8 mice) (lipase-SPEG15,000).

The amount of protein for each batch was measured by optical density measurements. Blood samples (200 μ l) were collected 15 from the eyes one week after the immunization, but before the following immunization. Serum was obtained by blood clothing, and centrifugation.

The IgG_1 response was determined by use of the Balb/C mice IgG_1 ELISA method as described above.

20 Results:

Five weekly immunizations were required to elicit a detectable humoral response to the unmodified Humicola lanuginosa variant. The antibody titers elicited by the conjugate (i.e. lipase-SPEG15,000 ranged between 960 and 1920, and were only 2 to 4x lower than the antibody titer of 3840 that was elicited by unmodified HL82-Lipolase (figure to the left).

The results of the tests are shown in Figure 1

As will be apparent to those skilled in the art, in the light 30 of the foregoing disclosure, many alterations and modifications are possible in the practice of this invention without departing from the spirit or scope thereof. Accordingly, the scope of the invention is to be construed in accordance with the substance defined by the following claims.

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Patent Claims

- 1. A polypeptide-polymer conjugate having
- a) one or more additional polymeric molecules coupled to the 5 polypeptide, having been modified in a manner to increase the number of attachment groups on the surface of the polypeptide, in comparison to the number of attachment groups available on the corresponding parent polypeptide, and/or
- one or more fewer polymeric molecules coupled to 10 polypeptide, having been modified in a manner to decrease the number of attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s) of the polypeptide, in comparison to the number of attachment groups available on the corresponding parent polypeptide.
- 2. The conjugate according to claims 1, having 1 to 25, 15 preferably 1 to 10 additional polymeric molecules coupled to the surface of the polypeptide in comparison to the number of polymeric molecules of a conjugate prepared from the corresponding parent enzyme.
- 3. The conjugate according to claims 1 and 2, wherein the 20 additional attachment group(s) is(are) amino groups in the form of Lysine residues(s), or carboxylic groups in the form of Aspartic acid or Glutamic acid residues.
- 4. The conjugate according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the additional attachment group(s) is(are) prepared 25 conservative substitution of an amino acid residue, such as an Arginine to Lysine substitution.
- 5. The conjugate according to claims 1 to 3, wherein the additional attachment group(s) is(are) prepared by a conservative substitution of an amino acid, such as an Aspargine to Glutamine to Aspartate/Glutamate 30 Aspartate/Glutamate or a substitution.
 - 6. The conjugate according to any of claims 1 to 5, wherein the added attachment group is located more than 5 Å, preferably 8 Å, especially 10 Å from the functional site.
- 7. The conjugate according to claim 1, having 1 to 25 35 preferably 1 to 10 fewer polymeric molecules coupled at or close to the functional site of the polypeptide in comparison to the number of polymeric molecules of a conjugate prepared on the basis of the corresponding parent polypeptide.

- 8. The conjugate according to claim 7, wherein the removed attachment group(s) is(are) amino groups in the form of Lysine residues(s), or carboxylic groups in the form of Aspartic acid or Glutamic acid residues.
- 9. The conjugate according to any of claims 7 and 8, wherein the removed attachment group(s) is(are) prepared by a conservative substitution of an amino group, such as Lysine to Arginine substitution.
- 10. The conjugate according to any of claims 7 to 8, wherein 10 the removed attachment group(s) is(are) prepared by a conservative substitution of a carboxylic group, such as an Aspartate/Glutamate to Aspargine or Aspartate/Glutamate to a Glutamine substitution.
- 11. The conjugate according to any of claims 1 to 10, wherein the removed attachment group is located within 5 Å, preferably 8 15 Å, especially 10 Å from the functional site.
 - 12. The conjugate according to any of claims 1 to 11, wherein the attachment groups are broadly spread.
- 13. The conjugates according to claims 1 to 12, wherein the parent polypeptide moiety of the conjugate has a molecular weight 20 from 1 to 100 kDa, preferred 15 to 100 kDa.
 - 14. The conjugate according to claim 13, wherein the parent polypeptide moiety of the conjugate has a molecular weight of from 1 to 35 kDa.
- 15. The conjugates according to claim 14, wherein the parent enzyme selected from the group 25 polypeptide is an including laccases and Superoxide dismutase Oxidoreductases, (SOD); Hydrolases, including proteases, especially subtilisins, and lipolytic enzymes; Transferases, including Transglutaminases (TGases); Isomerases, including Protein disulfide **Isomerases** 30 (PDI).
 - 16. The conjugate according to claim 15, wherein the parent enzyme is PD498, Savinase®, BPN', Proteinase K, Proteinase R, Subtilisin DY, Lion Y, Rennilase®, JA16, Alcalase® or a Humicola lanuginosa lipase, such as Lipolase®.
- 17. The conjugate according to claim 16, wherein the enzyme moiety of the conjugate is a PD498 variant with one or more of the following substitutions: R51K, R62K, R121K, R169K, R250K, R28K, R190K, P6K, Y7K, S9K, A10K, Y11K, Q12K, D43K, Y44K, N45K, N65K,

- G87K, I88K, N209K, A211K, N216K, N217K, G218K, Y219K, S220K, Y221K, G262K.
- 18. The conjugate according to claim 17, with one of the following mutations: R28K+R62K, R28K+R169K, R62K + R169K, 5 R28K+R69K+R169K.
- 19. The conjugate according to claim 16, wherein the enzyme moiety of the conjugate is a Savinase® variant with one or more of the following substitutions: R10K, R19K, R45K, R145K, R170K, R186K, R247K, K94R, P5K, P14K, T22K, T38K, H39K, P40K, L42K, L75K, N76K, L82K, P86K, S103K, V104K, S105K, A108K, A133K, T134K, L135K, Q137K, N140K, N173K, N204K, Q206K, G211K, S212K, T213K, A215K, S216K, N269K.
- 20. The conjugate according to claim 16, wherein the enzyme moiety of the conjugate is a Humicola lanuginosa lipase variant 15 with one or more of the following substitutions:
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- 20 21. The conjugate according to claim 20 with the following mutations E87K+D254K.
- 22. The conjugate according to any of claims 1 to 21, wherein the polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide have a molecular weight from 1 to 60 kDa, especially 1-35 kDa, especially 25 3 to 25 kDa.
- 23. The conjugate according to claim 22, wherein the polymeric molecule is selected from the group comprising a natural or synthetic homo- and heteropolymers, selected from the group of the synthetic polymeric molecules including Branched PEGs, poly-vinyl 30 alcohol (PVA), poly-carboxyl acids, poly-(vinylpyrolidone) and poly-D,L-amino acids, or natural occurring polymeric molecules carboxymethyl-dextrans, dextrans, including including methylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, celluloses such as ethylcellulose, hydroxyethylcellulose, hydroxypropylcellulose, and 35 hydrolysates of chitosan, starches, such as hydroxyethyl-starches, hydroxypropyl-starches, glycogen, agarose, guar gum, pullulans, xanthan gums, carrageenin, pectin and alginic acid.
 - 24. A method for preparing improved polypeptide-polymer

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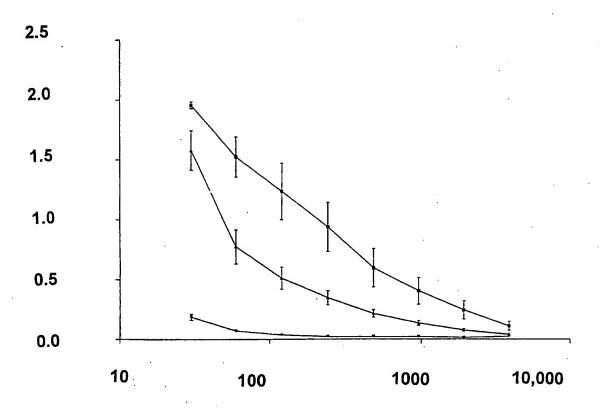
conjugates comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying amino acid residues located on the surface of the
- 3D structure of the parent polypeptide in question,
- b) selecting target amino acid residues on the surface of said 3D5 structure of said parent polypeptide to be mutated,
 - c)i) substituting or inserting one or more amino acid residues selected in step b) with an amino acid residue having a suitable attachment group, and/or
- ii) substituting or deleting one or more amino acid residues 10 selected in step b) at or close to the functional site,
 - d) coupling polymeric molecules to the mutated polypeptide.
- 25. The method according to claim 24, wherein the identification of amino acid residues located on the surface on the polypeptide referred to in step a) are performed by a computer program analyzing the 3D structure of the parent polypeptide in question.
 - 26. The method according to claim 24, wherein step b) comprises selecting Arginine or Lysine residues on the surface of the parent polypeptide.
- 27. The method according to claim 24, wherein one or more Arginine residues identified in step b) is(are) substituted with a Lysine residue(s) in step c).
- 28. The method according to claims 27, wherein the substituted Arginine residues have a distance of more than 5 Å, 25 preferably 8 Å, especially 10 Å from the functional site.
 - 29. The method according to any of claims 24 to 28, wherein the polypeptide prepared in step c) is coupled to polymeric molecules.
- 30. Use of the conjugate in claims 1 to 23 for reducing the 30 allergenicity of industrial products.
 - 31. Use of the conjugate in claims 1 to 23 for reducing the immunogenicity of pharmaceuticals.
- 32. A composition comprising a conjugate of any of claims 1 to 23 and further comprising ingredients used in industrial 35 products.
 - 33. The composition according to claim 32, wherein the industrial product is a detergent, such as a laundry, dish wash or hard surface cleaning product, or a food or feed product.

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- 34. The composition according to claim 32, comprising a conjugate of any of claims 1 to 22 and further ingredients used in skin care products.
- 35. A composition comprising a conjugate of any of claims 1 5 to 23 and further comprising ingredients used in pharmaceuticals.

Optical Density (490/620)



log (serum dilution)

Lipase variant (unmodified)
Lipase variant (SPEG)
Control

Fig. 1

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As is stated in Annex B to Administrative Instructions under the PCT, in force July 1, 1992 (PCT GAZETTE 1992, June 25, pages 7062-9, see page 7063 and example 5) unity of invention exists only when there is a technical relatonship among the claimed inventions involving one or more of the same or corresponding "special technical features" - i.e. features that define a contribution which each of the inventions makes over the prior art. (c.f. PCT Rule 13.2)

A search for this "special technical feature" mentioned in PCT Rule 13.2 among the independent claims did not reveal such a unifying, novel technical feature. Accordingly, the following inventions were found:

- 1. Claims 1(partly), 2-6, 12-35(partly) concerns a polypeptide-polymer conjugate having one or more <u>additional</u> polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide, having been modified to increase the number of attachment groups on the surface of the polypeptide.
- 2. Claims 1(partly), 7-11, 12-35(partly) concerns a polypeptide-polymer conjugate having one or more <u>fewer</u> polymeric molecules coupled to the polypeptide, having been modified to decrease the number of attachment groups at or close to the functional site(s) of the polypeptide.

The international search covers both inventions.

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